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All-party call for Crossrail inclusion

GREENWICH Council has called on the Government to give a clear commitment that Crossrail will still include a vital link to South East London and Kent.

The borough - and the capital as a whole - is set to see enormous benefit from the cross-river link that would connect Abbey Wood, via a new station at the Royal Arsenal, to Canary Wharf, central London and Heathrow.

The inclusion of the Royal Arsenal station in the Crossrail Bill followed a successful campaign by the council, local MPs, residents and businesses, emphasising the economic benefits.

Council leader Chris Roberts told GT:

"The cross-river link is an absolutely critical part of the Crossrail plan. This section of Crossrail is the one that will bring the greatest level of benefit, as it offers to open up not just Greenwich but also Bexley and large parts of north Kent. "South-east London and Kent have traditionally been under-served by public transport. For an illustration of the benefit that new rail and tube links can bring, you need look no further than North Greenwich, where the arrival of the Jubilee Line has enabled the entire Greenwich Peninsula site to be regenerated

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In my
opinionNot the
villain...
the way
forward

A GOOD while ago I was having a drink with my mate Dave at his beloved local in Sydenham, the Bricklayers Arms. At some point during the evening Dave mentioned he'd be going to a Southend United home match the following Saturday. Southend? Yes, said Dave, mainly to watch the son-in-law of the pub's landlord who played in midfield for them. Oh, interesting, but to tell you the truth the name didn't register, as the names of Southend United footballers tend not to. It was a long time later that I began to realise that the player involved was Nicky Bailey and that he had since moved on to Charlton Athletic and, indeed, been very successful at The Valley. He was the player of the year last season and, although I can't quite make out the words, Charlton fans' great fondness for him extends to some kind of invitation to meet their wives. It was Nicky, of course, who missed the shoot-out penalty against Swindon Town that consigned the

Addicks to another season in the "third tier" of English football. He was inconsolable at the end of the match and is presumably still suffering from the miss. At times like this, of course, most of the talk is about money lost by the club in not going up. We have seen other clubs go out of business. But maybe it's a good time to look at it differently. Maybe it's time to regroup as a club; as local people working for an institution that means so much to Greenwich as a whole; somehow get off the mad money merry-go-round and create a club even more entrenched in the community; get £10 million players off our minds. Nicky Bailey always gives 100 per cent. Dave says he's totally unassuming, a devoted dad to three children and still plays golf with his mates outside of football. Unlike some, he didn't go missing when Charlton went down. And don't forget he made it from non-league football. Nicky Bailey is not only the player whose miss kept Charlton where they are. He's also the way forward.

Peter Cordwell

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LOCOG unveil Games mascots

MEET Wenlock and Mandeville, the two mascots for the 2012 London Olympic and Paralympic Games. They were unveiled last week by the London Organising Committee of the Olympic and Paralympic Games (LOCOG).

An animated film, based on a story by children's author Michael Morpurgo, shows how the figures were brought to life and are able to reflect and adapt to their

surroundings. Wenlock and Mandeville will now go on separate journeys, often crossing paths and meeting people all over the UK, inspiring them to choose sport as they head towards the London 2012 Olympic Games and Paralympic Games.

Wenlock's name is inspired by the Shropshire village of Much Wenlock - where the 'Wenlock Games' inspired the founder of the modern Olympic movement, Baron



MASCOT APPEAL: Wenlock (left) and Mandeville

Pierre de Coubertin. LOCOG chair Sebastian Coe said: "We've created our mascots for children. They will connect young people with sport and tell the story of our proud Olympic and Paralympic history. They will help inspire kids to strive to be the best they can be."

A countrywide schools 'Get Set' competition has been launched to determine where Wenlock and Mandeville's journeys take them next on the road to 2012.

They're still
needed at 64!

TG ladies have their cake and eat it after all these years

THE good ladies of Eltham Afternoon Townswomen's Guild (TG) held a special party last Monday (May 17) to celebrate their guild's 64th birthday.

And there to cut the birthday cake - made by chairperson Pamela Diplock - was their longest-serving member, 86-year-old Zillah Bretherton.

Zillah joined Eltham Afternoon TG in 1961, after being a member of the Lewisham TG since 1958. For the last 20 years she has also been secretary of the North Kent Federation of Townswomen's Guilds, which stretches from Blackheath to Dartford and has eight member guilds.

She says new members are always warmly welcomed, an invitation supported by Pamela, who became the group's new chairperson in March.

"I'm hoping to liven up the meetings with bingo, quizzes and hat competitions, which I hope will help bring in new



A GREAT SLICE OF LIFE: members of the Eltham Afternoon TG celebrate their 64 years

members," said Pamela. "This is an organisation for women of all age groups, not just the elder ones. We go to the yearly conferences around the country, and I want new people to join us and become active members."

The guild meets on the third Monday of each month between 2pm and 4pm in the hall

behind the United Reformed Church near the Post Office in Court Road, Eltham. Conveniently, it is on local bus routes. Members can socialise, and take part in quizzes and trips to the coast.

Last week's birthday party also included a visit by members of the nearby Eltham Park TG, who performed a range of songs.

Looking ahead, Eltham Afternoon TG is hosting an arts and crafts, floral art, homecraft and photography show in the adjoining Sherard Hall on Saturday, September 25. All the other guilds in the North Kent Federation are expected to take part.

• ANYONE interested in joining the Eltham Afternoon TG can contact Zillah by e-mail at zillah.b@live.co.uk or ring her on 020-8857 4332.



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That day at King's Cross...

Siblings honoured by new commemorative stamp

by Rod Kitson

A TRIO of World War Two evacuees are on the move again - this time courtesy of the Royal Mail, who have put their faces from 1940 on a commemorative stamp.

Greenwich siblings John, Barbara and Rosemary Dawson were photographed at King's Cross station as they boarded a train bound for the safety of rural Northampton.

Evacuation was a terrifying ordeal for young Londoners, the prospect of being wrenched from their families almost as frightening as the thought of being bombed out at home.

Seven decades later the stamp's central figure Barbara admits that she was so scared that the train ride into the unknown was erased from her memory.

"I can remember mum putting us on the bus, and saying to me, 'Babbsy, go down the front of the bus with Rosie and John and look after them,'" she said. "I don't remember the journey from King's Cross at all. I can remember

I can remember mum putting us on the bus, and saying to me, 'Babbsy, go down the front of the bus with Rosie and John and look after them'

being on the bus, but I always assumed we went to Northampton by bus, because I think we must have been so traumatised."

Fast forward to 2010, and Barbara Sothard - now 76 - holds on tight to her brother and sister, echoing

the iconic image at a reunion at the station.

The stamp is part of Royal Mail's new collection, 'Homeland Heroes', which celebrates the grit of Britain's home front during WW2.

Philip Parker, head of stamp strategy at RM, said: "We felt this was an amazing opportunity to reunite the three brothers and sisters 70 years on in the same place in King's Cross. It really helps to symbolise our special tribute to the war generation."

Barbara, who used to work at the post office in Greenwich, added: "It's an honour, a great honour. I am a royalist, and one of my grand-daughters said, 'Nan, it couldn't have happened to a nicer person to be on the photograph with the queen.' She was so thrilled."

Around one-and-a-half million people were moved out of big cities between

May 27 and June 4, 1940. Philip added: "We wanted to pay tribute to the war generation. Thousands of people were faced with unprecedented bombing and incendiary fires and we found some amazing pictures to illustrate that."

THEN AND NOW: the Dawson siblings back at King's Cross in 1940 and (below) in 2010



Sorry, Steve!

APOLOGIES to top TV sports broadcaster Steve Rider (above) after GT used the wrong picture in a story about him last week. Steve - who went to the John Roan secondary school in the borough - will be the guest speaker at the annual Greenwich Starting Blocks Gala Dinner on Thursday, September 16. The dinner for the local charity that supports young people as they try to make their sporting dreams come true - including competing at the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games - will be held at The Valley at 7pm. Guests can enjoy a champagne reception, three-course meal and entertainment, as well celebrate the latest achievements of the Starting Blocks' young athletes. There will also be a prize draw - and tickets for the event are £75 including a £15 gift aid donation, or £60 without the donation.

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The awful sound of music

HERE we go again. Warm summer days have arrived at last and with them come the sounds so familiar from those who have no consideration for the enjoyment of other people in their own homes. Yes, you have it, the thumping music coming from the same persistent

households whose occupiers think they have a right to blight the lives of decent citizens around them. It's not a science. If one can here sounds from neighbouring properties, beyond the boundaries of the offending premises, then it must be beyond an acceptable level and

must not be allowed at anytime of day.

J. Trappitt
● WE agree entirely that too often residents fail to consider the impact of their activities on others' enjoyment of their homes and gardens. This can be particularly frustrating during summer months when we all like to enjoy our gardens and have our

windows open. However, it must be remembered that it is a matter of degree and none of us has a right to silence. The council's out-of-hours service is available 365 days of the year. Residents suffering problems with neighbour noise should ring 020-8921 8921.

Ed

Square thrill

I FELT I had to write to you, GT. I sat in General Gordon Square today to eat my lunch so I could enjoy the beautiful weather. I read the paper (a daily one!) and watched the news on the Big Screen. It made such a nice change from eating at my desk. Lots of other people were making the most of the sunshine too, the square was packed. It's not quite looking its best

at the moment, but I think I read in your paper that the square is going to get a complete makeover later this year and open again in spring 2011. It will be great to have a really nice outdoor space in the centre of town to enjoy during the summer months. I look forward to seeing plans of how it will look. Who'd have thought that Woolwich would change like this?

S. Duggan Woolwich



How can this successful centre be closed?

IN a time of growth and expansion of the music industry and its related jobs, Greenwich Community College is planning to close its successful Music Centre. The Music Centre is the leading popular music establishment in this region. The majority of the courses at the Music Centre this academic year will have a success rate of 80 per cent or more. Successful students have

been signed to record labels, received music prizes for their achievements and appeared at the Indigo2 and British Music Experience Exhibition. Paola Berta is currently at the Cannes Film Festival promoting her first short film since completing her course of study at the MMC. Centre.

Marc Bell, music business tutor

● A COMBINATION of cuts in government funding and the collapse of the LSC's capital building programme has meant that we have been unable to proceed with a planned move of our qualification music courses to the Plumstead Centre. In addition, previous results have raised concerns over the viability, value for money and quality of the

courses. We have therefore reluctantly taken the decision to close the Meridian Music Centre from September. We will still continue to offer non-qualification music courses as part of our General Interest programme and continue to provide support to affected learners and staff.

Geoff Pine, Principal, Greenwich Community College

OUR Star Letter writer will win two tickets to a Charlton Athletic match at The Valley for the 2010/11 season, so get writing! For information on 2010/11 season tickets please visit www.cafc.co.uk or call 0871 226 1905.



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Top of the crops!

Young and old get together to grow their own

by Peter Cordwell

YOUNG and old blossomed together at 'Grow Your Own Crops' day in Thamesmead

Gallions View Nursing Home opened its doors to the local community, inviting young people from nearby Heronsgate primary school and Plumstead Manor secondary school to come in and plant seeds with the residents.

Senior activities co-ordinator Irene Rowland,

organised the event. She told GT: "It is lovely to see the school children mixing and chatting with the elderly in our community. They planted seeds together and will nurture them."

Marie Hills, who also works at Gallions View, added: "The residents really enjoyed

the children's company."

The students and pupils mingled with the elderly residents in the May sunshine and shared a drink with them before they planted radishes, lettuces and other seeds.

Plumstead Manor student Aleisha Robinson said: "Sometimes we think old people don't like young people and

are a bit grumpy, but the people here are really friendly and nice."

Schoolmate Esra Sasmaz added: "This has been a great event. We want to come back again to see what we have grown."

Leigh Ott, head of personal development at Plumstead Manor, told GT: "This really is active citizenship and is a great example of community cohesion - our community all working together. It is great for both the young people and the elderly to mix in such positive circumstances."

Police ensure there's no break-up blues

POLICE in Greenwich will intensify patrolling to ensure that all young people breaking up from school remain safe as part of the Met 'Blunt' campaign. The increased police presence across the borough will be noticed by children, parents and schools as officers and Greenwich Council work together

to ensure that anti-social behaviour is kept at bay. Officers from the Safer Transport team will be travelling on buses and patrolling key transport hubs across the borough while Safer Neighbourhoods officers will be conducting weapon sweeps, stop and searches and using screening arches in

and around schools. Council CCTV operators and council wardens will be working closely with the police to ensure that all children enjoy the break whilst residents and visitors do not experience any anti-social behaviour. Chief Inspector Neil Myers, in charge of the operation told GT: "We want young people in

the borough to be safe. I want to build upon our joint successes in Greenwich in reducing youth violence and knife crime and this is the reason why we will be conducting stop and searches and have officers on and off public transport. "While we understand the enthusiasm and excitement of breaking up from

school, we want everyone, not just young people, to be able to go about their business without any disruption." High streets and town centres across the borough will also see police presence increased. Cards with information about Crimestoppers will also be distributed to all school pupils.

Borough BRIEFS

Patient help

ARE you aged 55 and over and worrying about how you're going to manage when you're first discharged from hospital? The Age Concern charity has launched a local "helping hand" service. It's open to older Greenwich residents who

need to be inpatients. It's called 'Help You Home', and project co-ordinator Christine Watson and her team will try to help with any requests. Contact Christine on 020-8294 3014 or email christine.watson@acgreenwich.org.uk

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Nurse aid...

MORE £500 was raised for the Help for Heroes charity by staff and students at the University of Greenwich at a networking day for new students. The event took place on national Nurses Day to welcome students who have signed up to the university's adult nursing course.

The money that was raised from book and cake sales will be donated to the Help for Heroes charity as a mark of the historical connection between nursing, Florence Nightingale and the Armed Forces.

University nursing officer Alison Cork said: "I was impressed with the generosity shown by staff, students and volunteers with regard to raising money for Help for Heroes, a charity that helps wounded servicemen and women. We are pleased to be able to donate to such a worthy cause."

COWELL'S THAT
FOR MYZTIKAL!

WEEK four of ITVs Britain's Got Talent saw street dance act and one-time winner of Trust Thamesmead's T Factor talent contest Myztikal go through to the next round.

So did Ashley, one time member of Myztikal and his friend who now both attend the Brit school and are known as street dance comedians

Twist and Pulse. Both acts got the nod from all three judges - Piers Morgan, Amanda Holden and Simon Cowell. One act will eventually be crowned winner of a £10,000 cash prize and the chance to perform in front of the Queen at this year's Royal Variety Performance.

All party
support for
Crossrail

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and The O2 Arena to become the world's most successful entertainment venue. "Crossrail offers the promise of a similar boost, but extending to a far wider area. "The cross-river section of Crossrail has all-party support in Greenwich and is fully backed by the Mayor of London, as well as the business community and residents. They all recognise that to have any prospect of attracting private investment to this part of the South-East, then the most important item element of public investment is improved transport links."

This section of Crossrail also promised the greatest level of benefit to the wider transport network, through the relief that it would bring to existing levels of congestion.

CLlr Roberts added: "I sincerely hope that the Government will give full weight to these issues before making any decision on Crossrail's future."

Scene stealers

Sites that are so popular with film makers

by Dick Townsend-Smith

LIGHTS! Camera! Action! is the famous cry of film directors everywhere – and few places in the UK hear it more than Greenwich.

The borough's diverse range of locations, including a wealth of historical sites, makes it a firm favourite among film and television professionals.

The industrial legacy of its riverside, the largest expanse of parks and open spaces in London, houses and housing estates from all eras and unique buildings such as the Old Royal Naval College and the Royal Observatory have all attracted filmmakers eager to bring an authentic atmosphere to their work.

Greenwich Council has its own dedicated Film Unit which attracts and facilitates filming in the borough and offers a one-stop service to the film and TV industry. The unit helps production companies find the best locations, and offers support services to enable filming to take place in the borough. The team plays a crucial role in managing the work of film crews in the borough. Types of productions range from commercials to music videos and major feature films.

Some of the most popular locations for filmmakers include the Greenwich and Woolwich Foot Tunnels, which have been used for feature films such as Dorian Gray and numerous music videos including Massive Attack, as well as being used for stills photography for the new Paul Weller album cover.

White Hart Depot, a Victorian warehouse complex in Plumstead, was used extensively for new-wave Hammer Horror film 'Beyond the Rave', a music video for Mel C, numerous commercials and a number of episodes of TV programme 'Brainiac'. Other popular locations are the Thames river path and the riverfront, Charlton House, and many of the borough's parks.

Productions that have filmed in the borough and are currently on screen include new BBC drama 'Luther', which filmed scenes in Tunnel Avenue SE10 and on the



A scene from the film Bright Star and a shot from Channel 4 News, both filmed at the Firepower! Museum in Woolwich.

Thames river path, 'Junior Apprentice' with episodes shot in Greenwich town centre streets and Greenwich Market, and a Cheryl Cole music video filmed at Eltham Palace.

The BBC's 90 minute one-off special episode of 'Only Fools and Horses', set in the 1960s, used a residential property on Caradoc Street as the Trotters' family home. The Pelton Arms pub was also used as a location and appeared as 'The Nags Head'. This episode of the popular TV

Pride
and power

FIREPOWER! – The Royal Artillery Museum in the historic Woolwich Arsenal, has also attracted filmmakers. Its involvement ranges from being used as a backdrop or stage set, to its collections being used as props. The museum is keen to attract more filmmakers to the site. Eileen Noon, the museum's Chief Operating Officer, said: "Income from filming activity goes towards maintaining the museum." Programmes featuring the museum include the BBC's 'A Family At War', 'Monarch Of The Glen' and 'Who Do You Think You Are, 'The Battle Of The Somme' for Australian TV, and 'The Salvage Squad' for Channel 4. The buildings and the site were used in 2008 for the filming of 'Bright Star', starring Ben Whishaw and Abbie Cornish, which told the story of poet John Keats and his lover Fanny Brawne.

programme is currently available for viewing on BBC iplayer. Other TV favourites that have filmed in Greenwich include 'Spooks' and 'Ashes to Ashes'. A number of feature films recently released in the cinema that used the borough's locations include 'Harry Brown' starring Michael Caine and a remake of the 'The Firm' directed by Nick Love.

In addition, Greenwich has recently been host to a number of productions yet to be seen on screen. These include a brand new drama called 'Any Human Heart' that filmed in Crooms Hill this month. The production is a dramatisation of the novel by William Boyd, starring Matthew Mcfayden, Jim Broadbent and Kim Catrell. The story is set in the 1930s and used a Crooms Hill residential property to represent the family home of the lead character Mountstuart. The drama is set to be screened on Channel 4 in the autumn.

Feature film 'Late Bloomers', a romantic comedy starring Isabella Rossellini, Simon Callow and Joanna Lumley, due for cinema release next year, recently filmed a number of scenes in Eltham.

Another borough location that is popular with filmmakers is The Old Royal Naval College which attracts many high-profile feature films, including the recently-released 'Wolfman', starring Anthony Hopkins, Gulliver's Travels, and Guy Richie's remake of Sherlock Holmes, starring Jude Law and Robert Downey Jr.

Film companies help contribute to the local economy through purchases made in the local area. Businesses, such as taxi firms, hotels and restaurants, are often used, and productions will pay a fee to hire premises. Filming in Greenwich can also increase employment opportunities for local people and raise the profile of the borough, helping to attract both tourists and new businesses to Greenwich.

BBC location manager Nick Williams said: "Over the last 14 years I have been involved in filming many productions in Greenwich and it's not only the rich diversity of locations but the fantastic help from the Greenwich Council Film Unit who have never failed to make filming in Greenwich an absolute pleasure."

•GET more information about filming in Greenwich at www.greenwich.gov.uk/film



No white elephants

Jumbo sculptures raise money for animal conservation project

GREENWICH has been going elephant crazy over the past week, with Jumbo and his friends making themselves noticed around the town. Two brightly-coloured, life-sized elephants have appeared outside the front door of Pepys House, the Discover Greenwich tourist information centre opposite the Cutty Sark, and a third one is situated in the portico of Greenwich Market. They are all part of a conservation campaign to put the spotlight on the urgent crisis faced by the endangered Asian elephant. Called Elephant Parade, the

event sees more than 250 brightly painted life-size elephants located over central London this summer. Each is decorated by a different artist or celebrity. The event runs from May to July and the elephants are expected to be seen by 25 million people. The campaign aims to raise £2million for the Asian elephant and help 20 UK conservation charities. All the elephants will be for sale by auction, and mini elephants are also on sale. There is more information about the campaign at www.elephantfamily.org Meanwhile last Thursday, giant, life-

sized elephant puppets took to the stage at the Greenwich Theatre for the London debut of Elephant, a stunning production fresh from New York. It involved performers from the UK and South Africa – actors, dancers, puppeteers, storytellers and musicians – coming together to tell the visually-stunning story of a tribal chief who discovers he cannot get into heaven because he has offended the spirit of Africa, and calls on his ancestors to find the answer. It celebrated the universal themes of forgiveness and humanity.

TRUNK CALL: above, the town centre elephants, right, the giant puppets on stage at Greenwich Theatre



Elephant-astic fact box

- The elephant is the largest of all land mammals
- They can live for up to 70 years
- Elephants normally walk about 4 mph
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ELTHAM residents and shoppers can enjoy the music of Pavarotti as they shop in an Italian Market next month. Jack Day will be performing as the legendary Italian classical opera singer in Passey Place, on Sunday, June 6, from 11am to 1pm. The market will run from 10am to 4pm and a range of different Italian foods and wines will be on sale including fresh Italian produce run by the specialist Italian traders. For further information about shopping in Eltham and details of forthcoming events, visit www.aceltham.co.uk or www.thisiseltham.co.uk

FIREPOWER
ART DISPLAY

A new exhibition at Firepower museum features over 50 drawings and paintings of artillery and guns. A Brush With The Guns starts on June 6. The display features works spanning 200 years and looks at how art documents conflict. Details at www.firepower.org.uk call 020 8855 7755 or email info@firepower.org.uk

Spinning Jenny

Grateful mum leads mega hospice fundraiser

by Pat Greenwood

DETERMINED Thamesmead mum, Jenny Hassan, is out to raise big money for Demelza Hospice for Children - in grateful thanks for what they're doing for her beloved seven-year-old, Adam.

The little boy, who needs a wheelchair now for some times throughout the day, was diagnosed with a rare form of a progressive muscle-wasting disease three years ago. He and his mum are regulars at the brand new haven for very sick children, in Wensley Close, Eltham.

So Jenny has joined forces with other mums at Adam's school - Cherry Orchard in Rectory Field Crescent, Charlton - to plan a mega community fun day on Sunday, June 20, at nearby Meridian Sports Club (behind the QE Hospital and opposite Cemetery Lane).

"It starts at 11am - and we're going for as long as we can to raise as much as we can," said Jenny.

She told GT: "We're hoping there'll be displays from Woolwich Army Cadets, the local judo club - and Adam's three-and-a-half-year-old sister, Kyla, is coming to do a street-dance performance with her Thamesmead School of Dance, from near The Boilerhouse.

"We've managed to get a 30ft by 30ft



APPLE OF HER EYE: Adam on the pitch at Charlton when he was their mascot for the day

inflatable challenge - as seen on TV's 'Total WipeOut' - and there'll be a guest appearance by a former actor from television's 'EastEnders'.

"At 5pm we're starting the over-18s charity darts and pool challenge."

GT has always supported the Hassan family, since Adam was first diagnosed. We were with him on the pitch at Charlton FC on New Year's Day in 2008

when the club and Greenwich Council arranged for him to be a mascot in front of a 20,000-plus crowd at the Colchester match.

● **FIND OUT** how you can support Jenny Hassan and the other mums with their mega fun day, as well as signing up for the early evening pool and darts challenges, by emailing jhkadam@hotmail.com

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Clean up with river rescuers

Volunteers needed to clear water beautyspot

by Dick
 Townsend-Smith

DIG out your wellies!

Volunteers are needed to take part in this year's 3Rivers Clean-up, the campaign has been set up to clear and protect the Ravensbourne, Pool and Quaggy rivers which flow through Greenwich and other South East London boroughs.

Special clean-up days are taking place early next month to clear litter along the river banks, and remove as much Himalayan Balsam as possible.

This plant, which changes the natural characteristics of riverside vegetation, impacts on wildlife in the area.

The invasive species was introduced into Britain in 1839 as an ornamental garden plant because of its attractive pink flowers.

However it 'escaped' from gardens and quickly started to grow along local riverbanks, where it thrives



LEAF IT OUT: volunteers clean up and remove Himalayan Balsam from the Ravensbourne River system that flows through Greenwich.

on the damp ground.

Clean-up activities will include learning how to identify Himalayan Balsam and then removing the plants, with any litter found on the way. The result will be three much cleaner rivers.

Clean up days on the River Quaggy will be held on:

• Tuesday, June 1 between

6pm and 8.30pm at Sutcliffe Park. Meet in the centre of the park near the athletics track.

• Thursday, June 3 between 6.30pm and 9pm at Kidbrooke. Meet in Brookmill Park near the Rangers Office.

• Thursday, June 10 between 6pm and 8.30pm at Weigall Road.

• For details of all the clean-

up events taking place, and to book your place, volunteers should go to www.thames21.org.uk/3riverscleanup

The three local river clean-up events are being led by Greenwich Council as part of their involvement in the 3Rivers Clean-up partnership.

It's made up of local authorities, Creekside Educational Trust, the Environment Agency, Quaggy Waterways Action Group, Schools in the Parks (Field Studies Council), the Thames 21 charity and other organisations.

Different organisations will lead different events in South East London over two weeks in June.

"The 3Rivers Clean-up is all about the community coming together in friendly groups to take action to improve the environment.

"It's a chance for people to celebrate, experience and take ownership of their rivers and get involved with something big that will make a real difference to the blue and green spaces in South East London," said Matthew Blumer from the Quaggy Waterways Action Group.

And he added: "It's all about building working partnerships between all these different groups because the councils can't do it all on their own."

• Find out more about protecting the environment at www.greenwich.gov.uk/environment

New family project tackles ASB

RESIDENTS whose lives are made a misery by anti social neighbours are being thrown a lifeline.

The Southern Housing Group which manages hundreds of homes across SE London, has launched a new project in Greenwich to help improve the lives of residents.

The Family Intervention Project (FIP) will work with local families, who are at risk of losing their homes due to anti-social behaviour.

The project will support families to address the causes of anti-social behaviour, tackling issues as a whole in order to prevent eviction or other sanctions being applied.

The project was funded with £40,000 from the government's £15m Challenge Fund set up to support Family Intervention Projects in partnership with social housing providers.

The housing association organised match funding from the Tenant Services Authority, Communities and Local Government and the Department for Children Schools and Families as part of a joint bid with six other housing associations.

The project will provide a full-time Family Intervention Project worker who will offer intensive practical support to families living in its Greenwich properties.

Sharon Nandoo, Anti-Social Behaviour Manager, said: "Most residents who experience anti-social behaviour tell me that they just want the behaviour to stop, rather than to see the perpetrator lose their home. We're committed to helping develop communities where people want to live, and we know that Family Intervention Projects have proved successful in other areas. We're confident that this will make a big difference to the lives of those affected by anti-social behaviour."

LONDON BOROUGH OF GREENWICH
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LONGLEIGH LANE - TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE AT
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2. The above road closure would only apply at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by the placing of the appropriate traffic signs.
3. Whilst the road closure is in operation, affected traffic would be diverted via Bostall Hill, Brampton Road, West Heath Road and Longleigh Lane, and vice versa.
4. The Order would come into force on 2nd June 2010 and would continue in force for up to 18 months, or until the works have been completed, whichever is the sooner. However, it is expected that the works would take approximately two weeks to complete.
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Bike prize draw for cyclists

SIGN up for London's Cycle Challenge in June and you could be in the running for some prizes from Greenwich Council. The borough wants to support local contestants all the way, so get ready to email a screenshot of your cycle challenge profile to greener@greenwich.gov.uk your name will go in a draw, and the first 20 will get a bike

pack containing bike bells, bike locks, and bike lights, worth about £30. The London Cycle Challenge is organised by Transport for London and cycling teams are invited to see how many miles they can do from June 1.

● Full details about the free month-long event at <https://cyclechallenge.tfl.gov.uk/index.php>

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Poverty struck

Call to help the poor from cycling student

INTREPID Banke Adetayo, 24, is off on voluntary service overseas to Sierra Leone next month - but not before she tries to cycle up Maze Hill, without stopping.

The non-stop cycle is one of 25 challenges she's undertaking to raise cash for her trip.

Banke, from Greenwich, has been chosen to be part of the Youth for Development (YfD) scheme. It's organised by VSO to enable young people between 18 and 25 to work alongside communities around the world that are living in poverty.

She'll spend one year working with the Nurses Association of Sierra Leone to help train the staff to be advocates and champions for their area in the campaign to reduce deaths of mothers and their babies.

Banke recently graduated with a Masters degree from Imperial College, London. She did a one-year course in the history of science, technology, medicine and society, and a study of the struggle to tackle malaria in the early 20th century.

She's passionate about VSO and she told GT: "I really want young people to know how important it



PASSIONATE: Banke's in Maze Hill next month

is to get involved and give back to our communities. I would be happy to talk to anyone about it."

Banke has already managed to raise almost half of the £1,000 that she needs so that the VSO charity can send other professionals abroad to do similar work.

In the final run-up to leaving the UK for Freetown, Sierra Leone, she's hoping to complete 25 random challenges for

sponsorship.

"Every year, I try to complete a number of tasks before my birthday," she said.

"I chose '25 tasks' this time because I won't be celebrating my 25th birthday in the UK later this year," she said.

She told us: "For instance, I'm learning to say 'Hello I'm a VSO volunteer' in 25 different languages."

"I also want to spend two hours in a lift introducing people to VSO, I want to help out at a soup kitchen in the West End near my old university, and cycle up Maze Hill without stopping!"

Look out for Banke in her distinctive t-shirt in and around the Cutty Sark area of Greenwich in the next few weeks - and, if she introduces herself to you, give generously!

Her completed tasks will be uploaded to Banke's blog at: www.sblogbites.blogspot.com

GT readers can support Banke by visiting her special page at: www.justgiving.com/adebanke

● VSO is an international development charity that works to tackle poverty in over 30 of the world's poorest countries. Visit: www.vsointernational.org

Greenwich Council

Audit of Accounts for the year ended 31/03/10

Each year the Council's accounts are audited and any person interested has the opportunity to inspect and make copies of the accounts and all relevant documents. For the year ending 31st March 2010 these documents will be available on application to the Finance Directorate, Chief Executive's Department, 3rd Floor Riverside House East, Woolwich High Street, Woolwich, London SE18 6BU (telephone 020 8921 5248 / 6185) between 10.00am and 4.00pm weekdays from Tuesday 15th June 2010 to Monday 12th July 2010.

Local Government Electors for the Greenwich local authority area and their representatives also have the opportunity to question the auditors about the accounts until the audit has been completed. These must be made in writing and sent to the auditor at the address shown below.

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The audit is being carried out by Sue Exton, District Auditor, 1st Floor, Millbank Tower, Millbank, London SW1P 4HQ and will be conducted under the provisions of the Audit Commission Act 1998 and the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2003.



Eltham Crematorium Joint Committee

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ON THAT FARM HE HAD SOME KIDS: Greenwich school pupils join Olympic athlete Beth Tweddle (front) on a tractor at the Olympic Park



Farm fresh

2012 food producers open their gates to the public

OLD McDonald had a farm - and now he's opening the gates to the public as part of its sponsorship of London 2012 Olympic Games.

The restaurant chain launched its Open Farm project at the site of the Olympic park in Stratford last week.

The project will open up some of Britain's greatest farms to the public, showing how they will play a part in supplying thousands of meals at the 2012 Games.

The project launch was attended by Seb Coe who chairs the London Organising

Committee of the Olympic Games, and 2009 World Champion gymnast Beth Tweddle.

And pupils from Charlton Manor and Greenslade primary schools were there to help launch the Open farm Project.

Under the scheme the public can enrol for farm visits at www.mcdonalds.co.uk/open-farms.

This year there are five visits scheduled at farms in Dorset, Scotland, Northern Ireland, Cumbria and Derbyshire, with more to come in 2011.

McDonald's UK Chief Executive Steve Easterbrook

explained that food for their UK restaurants is currently supplied by more than 17,500 British and Irish farmers.

He said: "These farmers supply our restaurants today and will continue to do so for the Olympics.

"This is a once in a lifetime opportunity to celebrate the best of British farming and McDonald's will use its involvement in the Games to show what British farming has to offer. The farms supplying the Olympics are standard bearers in terms of exacting quality and welfare standards. We want people to see the pride they take in growing and

rearing high quality produce."

LOCOG Chair Seb Coe said: "We want to enhance everyone's experience of the Games by celebrating the great diversity and quality of British food on offer. The sheer scale of providing 14 million meals in just four weeks means this is a genuine opportunity for British agriculture. The partnerships McDonald's has built with British agriculture will help us deliver the food vision we have set out for the Games and help us deliver an Olympic legacy for farming."

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On the starting blocks for Run to the Beat race

MORE runners are needed to raise sponsorship for young athletes in a musical half-marathon this autumn.

Run to the Beat takes place for the third year running on Sunday, September 26. The event will see around 13,000 runners take to the streets of Greenwich for a 13-mile run in aid of various charities.

The course, which starts at The O2 Arena in Greenwich - will be lined with live musicians to keep runners on the move. And there'll be a festival atmosphere with support from an enthusiastic crowd

of spectators along the way. An enthusiastic team is already in training and aims to raise money for the Greenwich Starting Blocks Trust.

The Trust supports local young athletes with ambitions of taking part in the London 2012 Games, and has free places available for runners who wish to take part. The Trust supports them through training bursaries, helping to raise their performance - and give them a very real chance of taking part in the Olympic and Paralympic Games in

London 2012. Runners who wish to join Team Starting Blocks are being asked to commit to raising a minimum of £150 in sponsorship which will go towards supporting the Trust's work.

● Runners who wish to take part in Run to the Beat and raise money for Greenwich Starting Blocks Trust should email clare.chapman@greenwich.gov.uk or call 020 8921 6191 as soon as possible as places are limited.

For further information about the event visit www.runtothebeat.co.uk

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Clive Efford (Lab) Call for an appointment at the following monthly surgeries on 020-8850 5744 between 11am and 3pm Mon-Fri.
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 2nd Sat: St Mary's Community Centre, Eltham High Street, 10am and 4th Friday of the month at 6pm.
 3rd Tues: Middle Park Community Centre, 150 Middle Park Avenue, 11am-12.30pm
 3rd Fri: Coldharbour Neighbourhood office, library entrance, William Barefoot Drive, 11am.
 4th Sat: Shrewsbury House, 10am, Bushmoor Crescent

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Teresa Pearce (Lab)
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GLA MEMBER

Len Duvall (Lab) is the GLA member for Greenwich and Lewisham. Please write to Len Duvall, GLA, City Hall, Queen's Walk, London SE1 2AA; phone 020-7983 4408/4517; or email len.duvall@london.gov.uk

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COUNCIL MEETINGS

THE following meetings are taking place over the next few days in the Town Hall, Wellington Street (unless otherwise stated).

May 27 - Children's Trust Board, 9.30am, The Point, 47 Woolwich New Road, Woolwich.
 Licensing sub committee A, 10am.
 June 3 - Eltham, 7pm, St Mary's Community Centre, Eltham High Street.
 June 9 - Avery Hill & Coldharbour, 7pm, Anstridge Community Centre, Avery Hill.
 Woolwich Riverside, 7pm, venue to be confirmed. Call 020 8921 5832.
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A POLE APART: youngsters perform around the maypole at a previous event

Making merry

Dance highlights for 32nd community festival

MAYPOLE-dancing children, around 50 stalls and a raffle are among the promised highlights of the 32nd Plumstead Make Merry on Saturday, June 5.

The event on Plumstead Common from noon to 6pm, is the longest-running festival of music, arts and activities in the borough, and everyone is welcome.

Organisers say over 6,000 people attended in 2009.

The event will be formally opened by Eltham MP Clive Efford and the new Mayor of Greenwich, Cllr Barbara Barwick, who will also be judging the best-dressed stall competition.

Highlights of the afternoon will include a circus

by Pat Greenwood

workshop, Charlton Athletic's inflatable goal, the return of Mr Topples' Punch and Judy shows, story-telling, a bouncy castle, inflatable slide and a fun fair.

Pupils from Conway Primary School in nearby Gallosion Road will kick off the afternoon as usual with their maypole dance, and other dance routines scheduled include performances by East Plumstead Baptist Church, Dance Fever, Ruthless Dance Group, Hawksmoor Primary School, Hawkins Irish Dancers and STEPZ Dance School.

The Plumstead Extended

Schools Network of pupils and staff working together will be performing as a 60 piece choir; Plumstead Manor School will put on some musical theatre, and South Rise Primary School will be performing with Hula-Hoops.

Live music on the main stage is set to include Adam Tunji, Eastroad, Raised Voices, Mariama Samba, JD Smith, and The Bimmys.

The Greenwich primary care health-team will be giving free checks, and Woolwich's Firepower! Royal Artillery Museum will help you discover if there is a Gunner in your family tree - for free!

Don't forget to bring records of service from the National Archives in Kew or from the

Army Personnel Centre, Glasgow.

Firepower! will also be available to date and give information about your war memorabilia, artefacts and other treasures. But, please do not bring shells, cartridges or other ammunition to the event.

There'll also be a Tae Kwon Do exhibition where anyone can join in, and tea and cake in the Make Merry refreshment tent.

Doug Harper from the organising committee told GT: "The festival provides a celebration of the history of Plumstead and a celebration of our diverse community."

● Get further details at www.myspace.com/plumsteadmakemerry

Kidbrooke home purchases approved

THE Council has won approval to purchase properties in Kidbrooke allowing the next stage of a major housing development.

Negotiations with residents and businesses whose properties are to be purchased will now continue following government approval of a compulsory purchase order.

It means the council can continue with the Kidbrooke Vision - the multi million regeneration of the Ferrier Estate and the Kidbrooke area. The vision includes plans for 4,000 new homes, businesses, community facilities, open spaces and a

transport interchange.

The scheme is being led by Greenwich Council in partnership with Berkeley Homes, Southern Housing and the Homes and Communities Agency.

Negotiation with the owners of freehold and leasehold properties on the estate has been ongoing and has resulted in the purchase of 129 homes by agreement. The decision to approve the compulsory purchase order, confirmed last week by the Government Office for London following a Public Inquiry in January, ensures that the remaining 45 homes can be purchased by the

council. The borough will now look to conclude negotiations on a sale price with those homeowners, along with business owners whose leases are covered by the compulsory purchase order.

Greenwich Council leader Chris Roberts said: "The council's vision for Kidbrooke has long been shared by local residents of the Ferrier estate and the surrounding community. The development will enable the council to replace an estate that suffered from very poor design and poor transport links. The new scheme will provide homes fit for the 21st

century, as part of a well-designed development that has new schools and health facilities, new open spaces, community facilities and new businesses."

He added: "I fully understand that some homeowners and leaseholders have concerns over selling their homes, and am pleased that we were able to find a negotiated solution in the majority of cases. Those affected by the compulsory order have exercised their right to put their case to an independent inspector at a Public Inquiry, and the outcome has been to support the Council's proposals."

YOUR COUNCILLORS WARD BY WARD

Con = Conservative;
Lab = Labour;
LD = Liberal Democrat.
To check which ward you live in,
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5037/5050/5045
To email your councillor email:
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Clive Mardner (Lab)
020 8311 4921
Steve Offord (Lab)
020 8850 3160

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Alex Grant (Lab)
020 8855 7292
Alex Wilson (Cons)
07783 611 607

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Janet Gillman (Lab)
020 8856 9386
Allan MacCarthy (Lab)
020 8858 4298
Gary Parker (Lab)
07956 916 020

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Mandy Brinkhurst (Cons)
020 8921 5663
Neil Dickinson (Cons)
07943 332 028
John Hills (Cons)
020 8319 4179 or 07502 436 016

ELTHAM NORTH

Spencer Drury (Cons)
020 8319 4593
Nigel Fletcher (Cons)
020 8921 5663
Dermot Poston (Cons)
020 8850 5314

ELTHAM SOUTH

Matthew Clare (Cons)
020 8921 5663
Eileen Glover (Cons)
020 8857 7616/020 8265 1155
Adam Thomas (Cons)
020 8921 5663

ELTHAM WEST

Bill Freeman (Lab)
020 8921 5663
Mick Hayes (Lab)
020 8859 3389
Ray Walker (Lab)
020 8856 9414.

GLYNDON

Don Austen (Lab)
07914 806 059
Radha Rabadia (Lab)
020 8921 5037
Chris Roberts (Lab)
020 8921 5659

GREENWICH WEST

David Grant (Lab)
020 8691 9459
Maureen O' Mara (Lab)
020 8692 5379
Matthew Pennycook (Lab)
020 8921 5050

KIDBROOKE WITH HORNFAIR

Norman Adams (Lab)
020 8921 5047
Hayley Fletcher (Lab)
020 8921 5045
Jim Gillman (Lab)
020 8921 5663

MIDDLEPARK AND SUTCLIFFE

Mark James (Lab)
020 8921 5047
Christine May (Lab)
020 8921 5047
Clare Morris (Lab)
020 8921 5047

PENINSULA

Mary Mills (Lab)
020 8921 5047
Dick Quibell (Lab)
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Miranda Williams (Lab)
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Angela Cornforth (Lab)
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07507 859 204
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SHOOTERS HILL

Dr Jagir Sekhon OBE (Lab)
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Barry Taylor (Lab)
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Danny Thorpe (Lab)
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Peter Kotz (Lab)
020 8311 5673
Jackie Smith (Lab)
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Leader of the Opposition



Cllr Spencer Drury

Greenwich

Who's who in the Council

THE MAYOR



Barbara Barwick
Mayor



Jim Gillman
Deputy Mayor

Planning Board and Highways



Cllr Ray Walker
Planning Board



Cllr Harry Singh
Highways

Find out more about surgery times
and venues at
www.greenwich.gov.uk/elect
All meetings are open to the public
and details of meetings feature
regularly in Greenwich Time. Get
more information on 020-8921 5130
or for further information about other
council committees visit the website
at www.greenwich.gov.uk/committees

THE

The Cabinet is the
decision-making
of ten councillors,
two deputy leaders
leadership and is
Council services and
Council policies and



Cllr Peter Brooks
Deputy leader, HR, Anti
poverty, Social Inclusion,
Voluntary Sector



Cllr John Fahy
Culture and Olympics



Cllr Sajid Jawaid
Modernisation

GUIDE TO

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's decision-making bodies

CABINET

Council's main committee and is made up including the Leader and s. It provides political responsible for planning and for ensuring that e implemented.



Cllr Chris Roberts
Leader of the Council



Cllr Denise Hyland
Regeneration, Enterprise and Skills



Cllr Peter Kotz
Health, Adults and Older People



Cllr Maureen O'Mara
Environment and Community Safety and chair of Licensing Committee



Cllr Rajwant Sidhu
Greener Greenwich



Cllr Jackie Smith
Children and Young People



Cllr Steve Offord
Housing

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE



Cllr Mick Hayes
Chair

Separate from the Cabinet, the Overview and Scrutiny Committee reviews Council services and other issues affecting the borough. It focuses particularly on meeting local needs, raising service standards and ensuring there is continuous improvement. The committee also monitors and scrutinises decisions of the Cabinet. Six scrutiny panels have been set up to support the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, each looking at different council services and those of other local agencies. Cllr Mick Hayes (Eltham West), as chair of the committee, sits on all the panels.



Cllr Danny Thorpe
Vice-chair/Chair Finance and Public Services



Cllr Janet Gillman
Healthier communities and Older People



Cllr Clive Mardner
Safer and Stronger Communities



Cllr Allan MacCarthy
Social Inclusion



Cllr Gary Parker
Sustainable Communities and Transport



Cllr Dick Quibell
Children and Young People's Services

Probity and Conduct Panel

The six-member Probity and Conduct Panel is chaired by Sir Michael Pike, a former ambassador. It promotes high standards of conduct by councillors and co-opted members and meets three times a year. Meetings are open to the public. The panel was set up along with similar ones across the country as a standards committee under the Local Government Act 2000 to investigate complaints against councillors and co-opted members. Full details about the work of the panel, under 'Council and Democracy' at www.greenwich.gov.uk or ring the Monitoring Officer on 020-8921 5123.

GreenwichHomes

Greenwich Council's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

Edition 186

How the lettings policy works

Housing applicants are placed within 'Bands' according to the Council's policy for letting homes. Your band information is on the letter that the Council sent you when you registered, or when your circumstances changed.

Property adverts say which band can apply and any other criteria. When all the bids are received, the property is then offered to:

For properties advertised for band A and band B - the applicant who has had this priority status for the longest time.

For properties advertised for band C applicants - the applicant who has been registered on the Council's list for the longest time.

Band

- A** is for applicants in unsatisfactory housing, including people moving due to demolition and those underoccupying their homes.
- B** is for applicants the council must prioritise according to the law, particularly homeless people, and others with an urgent need to move for medical or welfare reasons.
- C** is for all applicants on the housing register, including those that are in priority bands A and B.

How do I apply?

1 Get on the list

First, you've got to be on the housing waiting list to join the scheme. If you're not, get an application form by phoning the Access and Allocations Section on 020 8921 2941. Or pick up a form from any neighbourhood office.

2 Find your applicant number

It will be on the letter you've already had from the Council about the new scheme. You'll need that number and the reference number of the property you're after, which will be on the advert.

3 Pick out your ideal property

by looking in *Greenwich Time* or regularly checking the website:

www.greenwich.gov.uk/homes

Click on your preference on the website. If you don't have a computer, you can always use one for free in either your neighbourhood housing office, library or UK Online centre.

4 Apply in one of two ways

- Phone the 24-hour hotline 020 8921 4340. It's an automatic push-button system and calls will be charged at the normal local rate, or
- Via the Council's website

www.greenwich.gov.uk/homes

24-hour hotline

The Greenwich Homes (Choice Based Lettings) Telephone Bidding Line is available in:
English 020 8921 4340

Greenwich Homes (locations « au choix ») Ligne téléphonique de demande disponible en français en composant le :
French 020 8921 4330

Có sẵn Đường dây Đầu giá Điện thoại Greenwich Homes (Tài sản Dựa trên Sự chọn lựa) ở:
Vietnamese 020 8921 4343

Guryaha Xaafadda Greenwich (Guri-ijaar Ku-saleysan kala-doorashao) Khadka Ku-tartanka waxaa laga helaa:
Somali 020 8921 4345

Greenwich Konutları (Tercihle Dayalı Kiralık Konut) Telefon ile Teklif Verme Hattı Türkçe de aranabiliyor:
Turkish 020 8921 4347

格林威治家居 (揀選租屋計劃) 開通電話競投專線:

Cantonese 020 8921 4370

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Tamil 020 8921 4300

The next edition of GreenwichHomes will be available on **Wednesday 2 June 2010 at midday** and will include any Housing Association properties when available. Closing date for all applications for this issue is midnight on **Sunday 30 May 2010**.

www.greenwich.gov.uk/homes

Choice hotline 020 8921 4340

GreenwichHomes

Greenwich Council's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

Only priority applicants can apply

Rsl allocations policy applies to **Housing Association** properties



L&Q Housing Trust

Ref Number: 53939
Eglinton Hill SE18
3 Bed 1st Floor Flat
Unlifted. Rad C/H
No Dogs.
£96.72 pw Bands A&B



L&Q Housing Trust

Ref Number: 66084
Eglinton Hill SE18
2 Bed 1st Floor Flat
Unlifted. Rad C/H
No Dogs.
£88.56 pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 86519
Sibthorpe Road SE12
5 Bed House Garden
Rad C/H. No Pkg
£117.10 pw Bands A&B
Pref to S/Overcrowding.
LBG Tenant



Ref Number: 107874
Birdbrook Road SE3
2 Bed House Garden
Rad C/H.
£89.25 pw Bands A&B
Pref to Kidbrooke Regen.



Ref Number: 108302
Temair House Roan Street SE10
1 Bed 4th Floor Flat
Unlifted. Entry phone
Rad C/H.
£82.86 pw Bands A&B



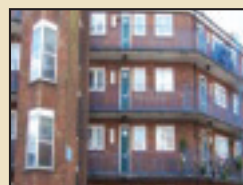
Ref Number: 108816
Campfield Road SE9
2 Bed 1st Floor Flat
Unlifted. Garden.
Rad C/H. No Pkg.
£84.39 pw. Bands A&B.
Pref to Kidbrooke Regen.



Ref Number: 108936
Sewell Road SE2
3 Bed 2nd Floor Mais
Unlifted. Ent phn No Pkg.
Gas Fire & Rad C/H
£88.12 pw. Bands A&B



Ref Number: 109160
William Barefoot Drive SE9
3 Bed House Garden
No Pkg. Rad C/H
£103.89 pw. Bands A&B
Pref to Kidbrooke Regen.



Ref Number: 109583
Dyson House Blackwall Lane SE10
3 Bed Grnd Floor Flat
Rad C/H.
£92.62 pw Bands A&B
Pref to S/Overcrowding



Ref Number: 109920
Casterbridge Rd SE3
1 Bed 3rd Floor Flat
Lifted. Entry phone
Combi Boiler & 1 Rad/
Gas Fire
£81.32 pw. Bands A&B



Ref Number: 109921
Hathern Gardens SE9
1 Bed Grnd Floor Flat
Gas Fire Only
£78.97 pw. Bands A&B



Ref Number: 109948
Gavestone Rd SE12
2 Bed 2nd Floor Flat
Lifted. Entry phone
Rad C/H.
£85.75 pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 109979
Strongbow Cres SE9
1 Bed Grnd Floor Flat
Ent phn. Combi Boiler &
1 Rad/Gas Fire
£78.56 pw. Bands A&B



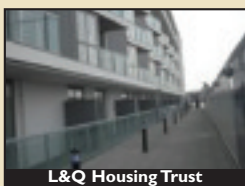
L&Q Housing Trust

Ref Number: 110020
Plum Lane SE18
2 Bed 1st Floor Flat
Unlifted. Rad C/H
No Dogs.
£88.56 pw Bands A&B



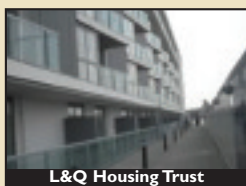
Hyde Housing Association

Ref Number: 110040
Admiral Seymour Road SE9
2 Bed 1st Floor Flat Gdn
Unlift'd Rad C/H No dogs
£94.90 pw. Bands A&B



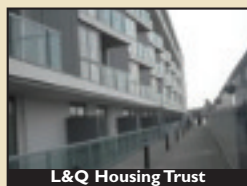
L&Q Housing Trust

Ref Number: 109165
Banning Street SE10
3 Bed 3rd Floor Flat
Lifted Ent. ph U/floor Htg
No Pets. Must be Employed U/floor Htg No pets
Max 2 Child over 16
£111.35 pw. Bands A&B



L&Q Housing Trust

Ref Number: 109175
Banning Street SE10
3 Bed Flat 5th Floor Flat
Lifted Entry phone.
Max 2 child over 16.
£111.35 pw. Bands A&B



L&Q Housing Trust

Ref Number: 109178
Banning Street SE10
2 Bed 4th Floor Flat
Lifted Entry phone
U/floor Htg No Pets
Max 1 child over 11 yrs
£99.57 pw. Bands A&B

For information or assistance

contact our Allocations Team
on: 020 8921 2941 Textphone
(minicom): 020 8921 2996
Email: housing-needs-unit@greenwich.gov.uk
greenwich.gov.uk
Fax: 020 8854 7212

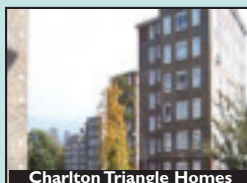
Choice hotline 020 8921 4340

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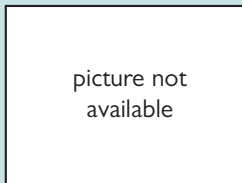
Anyone on the housing list can apply for these

Rsl allocations policy applies to **Housing Association** properties



Charlton Triangle Homes

Ref Number: 79746
Priory Hse Springfield Grv SE7
2 Bed 6th Floor Flat
Lifted. Entry phone
Rad C/H. No Dogs
£90.47 pw. Band C



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Ref Number: 105052
Herbert Road SE18
2 Bed 2nd Floor Mais.
Unlifted. Entry phone
Rad C/H. No Pkg
£82.82 pw. Band C



Ref Number: 106559
Grovebury Road SE2
2 Bed House Garden
Rad C/H. No Pkg
Min. 1 Child Under 16
£90.31 pw. Band C



Ref Number: 107223
Crystal House Spinel Close SE18
2 Bed 1st Floor Flat Lifted.
Ent phn Rad C/H. No Pkg
Min. 1 Child any Age
£84.02 pw. Band C



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Ref Number: 107413
Leslie Smith Sq SE18
2 Bed 2nd Floor Mais
Unlifted. Entry phone
Rad C/H. No Pkg
Min. 1 Child Any Age
£82.37 pw. Band C



Ref Number: 109575
Long Walk SE18
2 Bed Bsmt. Mais.
Unlifted Rad C/H.
Min. 1 Child Any Age
£82.25 pw Band C



Ref Number: 109637
Bingham Point Wilmount St SE18
1 Bed 7th Floor Flat
Lifted. Entry phone
Combi Boiler & 1 Rad.
£68.46 pw. Band C



Ref Number: 109818
Restons Cres SE9
Bedsit 2nd Floor Flat
Unlifted. Entry phone
Combi Boiler & 1 Rad.
No Pkg.
£69.53 pw Band C

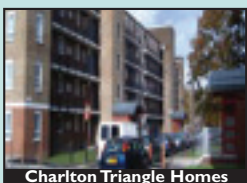


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Ref Number: 109835
Harold Wilson House Arnott Close SE28
1 Bed 1st Floor Flat
Lifted. Entry phone
Rad C/H. Over 40s
£86.96 pw Band C.



Ref Number: 109917
Blaker Court Fairlawn SE7
2 Bed 4th Flr Flt
Lifted. Rad C/H
No Dogs
£90.47 pw. Band C



Charlton Triangle Homes

Ref Number: 109918
Fairlawn Court Cherry Orchard SE7
2 Bed 4th Flr Flt Lifted.
Rad C/H No Dogs
£90.47 pw. Band C

Mutual Exchange – Swapping your home

Council and Housing Association Tenants can exchange their property with another tenant. From April 2006 applicants who have registered for a mutual exchange will be able to find suitable swaps through the Greenwich Homes website www.greenwich.gov.uk/homes. For more information about this scheme contact the Allocations Team on **020 8921 2941**.

Only applicants aged 50+ can apply



Ref Number: 109176
Queensborough Hse Felixstowe Rd SE2
1 Bed 1st Floor Flat
Unlifted. Entry phone
No Pkg. Storage Heaters
£70.89 pw. Band C



Ref Number: 109555
James Newman Crt Gt Harry Drive SE9
1 Bed Grnd Floor Flat
Entry phone. No Pkg
Combi Boiler & 1 Rad.
£78.74 pw. Band C

Over 50s Housing

The Council has some blocks that are only for applicants aged 50 and over (they are usually one bed roomed flats). If you are interested please bid when you see the adverts.

Choice hotline 020 8921 4340

GreenwichHomes

Greenwich Council's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

Sheltered / Retirement
Housing

Sheltered Housing provides independence in a secure and friendly environment. Each Sheltered Scheme has a Scheme Manager who is the main source of support. There is 24 hour cover from the Telecare Service. The age criteria is over 60 years, but we can consider people over 55 years with a support need.



Our current vacancies include: (several ready to let)

One Person Properties

Beacham Close, Charlton, 1st Floor, Studio Flat.

Bill Walden House, Woolwich, 1st floor flat.

Cooper Court, Herbert Rd, Plumstead, 1st Floor studio Flat.

Defiance Walk, Woolwich Dockyard, Ground Flr Studio Flat.

George Akass House, Plumstead, 1 bed, 1st floor flat.

Green Lawns, Woolwich, 1st Floor Studio Flat

Haven Lodge, Woolwich, Ground floor Studio Flat

Hider Court, Shooters Hill, 1 bed, 1st floor flat

Langton Way, Blackheath, 2nd floor, Studio Flat.

Len Clifton House, Woolwich, Ground floor Studio flat

40 Littleheath, Charlton, 1st floor Studio flat

Minnie Bennett Hse, Shooters Hill Rd, 3rd floor, Studio Flat

Sarah Turnbull House, Woolwich, 1st floor Studio flat.

Strand Court, Plumstead SE18, Ground Floor Studio Flat.

174 Swingate Lane, Plumstead Common, 3rd Flr Studio Flat.

One Bedroom, Two Person Properties (unless stated)

Colleston House, Greenwich, 1st floor flat

Eltham Road, Lee, SE12, 1st floor flat

Haven Lodge, Woolwich, 2 Bed, Ground Floor Flat.

Len Clifton House, Woolwich, 2nd Floor Flat.

Sam Manners House, Greenwich, 1st floor flat.

Sarah Turnball House, Woolwich, 2 bed, 2nd Floor flat.

Strand Court, Plumstead, 2 Bed, 1st Floor Flat.

All the above properties are lifted unless stated.

If you are interested in Sheltered housing please ring
020 8921 2671, all applications are subject to a
Sheltered Housing Assessment

This is what happened to the homes advertised in issue 183

Address	Bed-rooms	Property Type	No of Bids	Reg date of successful app	Band
Kingsground SE9 5EX	2	FLAT	50	01/01/1978	A
Prince Edward House Victoria Way SE7 7FP	1	FLAT	36	21/09/1981	A
Polebrook Road SE3 8QS	1	FLAT	252	04/01/2002	C
Vanbrugh Hill SE3 7UE	2	FLAT	26	01/01/1981	A
The Village SE7 8UD	2	FLAT		withdrawn	
Legatt Road SE9 6AB	3	HOUSE	117	11/06/1990	A
Crystal House Spinel Close SE18 1LJ	2	FLAT	136	16/07/2007	C
Godstow Road SE2 9AT	0	FLAT	86	26/01/2006	C
Sandbach Place SE18 7EX	1	FLAT	241	06/11/2005	C
Leslie Smith Square SE18 4DW	2	MAISONETTE	10	19/11/2009	B
Biddulph House Rideout Street SE18 5EU	2	FLAT	157	25/02/2008	C
Wickham Lane SE2 0XW	2	FLAT	29	10/04/1995	A
Vicarage Road SE18 7SP	2	HOUSE	286	17/09/2005	C
Selcroft House Glenister Road SE10 0HL	1	FLAT	254	16/09/1994	C
Teynham House Alderwood Road SE9 2LR	2	FLAT	106	05/05/2009	C
Biddulph House Rideout Street SE18 5EU	3	FLAT	138	26/04/2006	C
Jervis Court Blissett Street SE10 8UX	1	FLAT	162	09/02/2004	C
Heathfield Terrace SE18 2NW	2	FLAT	10	31/01/2000	A
Vyvyan House Campbell Close SE18 3NE	2	FLAT	7	01/07/2009	B
Middle Park Avenue SE9 5QP	0	FLAT	62	22/01/2008	C
Rixon House Barnfield Road SE18 3TX	3	FLAT	113	16/06/2008	C
Belson Road SE18 5PX	2	MAISONETTE		Withdrawn	
Nightingale Heights Nightingale Vale SE18 4HJ	1	FLAT	158	24/08/2006	C
Sidcup Road SE9 3SA	1	FLAT	236	26/04/2004	C
Elmgrove Point Walmer Terrace SE18 7AF	1	FLAT	128	14/08/2006	C
Elmgrove Point Walmer Terrace SE18 7AF	1	FLAT	23	26/03/2007	B
Elmgrove Point Walmer Terrace SE18 7AF	1	FLAT	136	06/04/2006	C
Elmgrove Point Walmer Terrace SE18 7AF	1	FLAT	23	01/06/2005	B
Elmgrove Point Walmer Terrace SE18 7AF	1	FLAT	157	11/09/2006	C
Elmgrove Point Walmer Terrace SE18 7AF	1	FLAT	159	11/09/2006	C
Elmgrove Point Walmer Terrace SE18 7AF	1	FLAT	144	14/02/2006	C
Elmgrove Point Walmer Terrace SE18 7AF	1	FLAT	143	31/01/2008	C
Elmgrove Point Walmer Terrace SE18 7AF	1	FLAT	120	29/01/2008	C
Felixstowe Road SE2	2	FLAT	8	28/08/2009	B
Mcleod Road SE2 0BN	3	HOUSE	47	06/02/2007	B
Pelton Road SE10 0FG	2	FLAT	29	02/05/2008	B
Pelton Road SE10 0FG	3	FLAT	18	08/01/2009	B
Pelton Road SE10 0FG	1	FLAT	287	14/07/2003	C
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George's garden

Green tribute for scout leader

by Pat Greenwood

A PEAR tree is flourishing in the scouts' garden at St Richard's Church in Swallowfield Road, Charlton, honouring a beloved leader and friend.

The tree planting earlier this year in memory of George Zammit was supported by members of the 51st and 46th Greenwich scout groups and other Greenwich District scout leaders, as well as Charlton's St Luke's Players. They also laid a brass plaque.

George, who died in January, 2009, at the age of 76, had been involved with the scouts since 1967 when he married Gwen, who is still Group Scout Leader of the 51sts.

George was born in Alexandria, Egypt, the son of the managing director of Anglo-Egyptian Cotton.

The keen Egyptian scout came to the UK at the age of 24 and met Gwen at a dance. "He was a member of the Peggy Spencer Latin - American Formation Team," she recalled.

The couple were married at St Luke's parish church in Charlton Village - and George became Assistant Scout Leader of 'G51', as it's always been known.

Later, he became Group Scout Leader.

George and Gwen's sons, John - now a local photographer - and his brother Philip started in

the cubs and also ended up as leaders in 51st Greenwich.

Gwen has fond memories of George, organising games with all the scouts and cubs, as well as the camping trips, not only to Downe in Kent but also to Ireland, to Dover, and to the jamboree in Nottingham.

Gwen told GT: "After a short break from 'wearing the uniform' (during which time he still supported Scouting at camps, fundraising events, etc), from 1994 until 1999, he became the Group

was able to persuade some parents to become leaders, some of whom are still leaders today!"

For the last ten years of his life, George, a qualified accountant, was Group Treasurer.

He was a member of the Royal Horticultural Society and spent three years creating the 51st's garden at St Richard's.

Gwen told us: "He put in many hours digging and clearing the site along with me and other volunteers."

"He was delighted when it was finished and made sure that the lawn was laid correctly! It is now a great asset to our children - the Beavers have just planted their runner beans, and we're doing some potatoes which we hope to bake in foil on our camp-fire."

George, who never lost his French accent, was always memorable in Greenwich scout and guide gang-shows from the late 1960s. "He might dress as a woman, he loved to 'Tiptoe through the Tulips' - but he also had a lovely singing voice and one of his favourites was 'My Way'," said Gwen.

• GWEN and her team are always looking for more young recruits - and volunteer leaders (full training given) - to the scout group.

The Scouts meet on Tuesdays, the Beavers on Wednesdays, and the Cubs on Thursdays. More information - on weekdays during business hours - on 020-8856 7373.

He had a lovely singing voice and one of his favourites was My Way'

Scout Leader for 46th Greenwich, at St Nicholas' Church in Whetstone Road, Kidbrooke, where he started the Beaver Colony.

"He spent many Monday evenings running the Beaver Meetings for six to eight-year-olds until he

Notice of Application for a Premises Licence Licensing Act 2003

Notice is given that **IMG UK LTD, MCCORMACK HOUSE, ONE BURLINGTON LANE, LONDON, W4 2TH** has applied for the **GRANT** of a Premises Licence for the following premises: on Sunday 26th September 2010:

West Parkside on the Greenwich Peninsula near to the junction with Edmund Halley Way

Corner of Peartree Way and Bugsby's Way - NE of Peartree Way roundabout

Bugsby's Way - South facing outside Matalan Store

NW corner of Bugsby's Way / Anchor and Hope Lane roundabout

Woolwich Road - Eastmere- next to old public house

Woolwich Church Street at the junction with Glass Yard

No 1 Street - Opposite the Pit Stop Café

Royal Artillery Barracks. Artillery Place, SE18. Western entrance outside gate but behind security bollards

Ha Ha Road—Jct of Ha Ha Road / Circular Way

Corner of Charlton Park Road and Cemetary Lane

On the pavement outside Charlton House

In front of Bandstand on Junction with Charlton Way and Maze Hill

North end of Blackheath Avenue outside the Royal Observatory - Greenwich Park

End of Romney Road facing down Trafalgar Road

A record of this application may be inspected by appointment at: Trading Standards Department, Riverside House, Woolwich High Street, London SE18 6DN (telephone number 020-8921 8018).

Interested parties may make representations to the Council on this application by no later than **25th June 2010**. All representations must be made in writing. Representations can only be made on the grounds of one of the four licensing objectives, namely:

- Protection of children from harm
- Public nuisance
- Prevention of crime and disorder
- Public safety

Any person who makes a false statement in connection with an application is liable on summary conviction to a maximum fine of £5,000.

It is proposed that the following licensable activities will take place at the premises:

Live and recorded music played at various times throughout the day between 09:45 and 15:00 on the stages listed above.



IN HIS HONOUR: Scouts and leaders gather to pay tribute to their beloved scout leader George Zammit, above

SCENE

Film

Deeds afoot at the dinner table

- P24

Music

Stones re-release old classic

- P24



The secret's out!

The jazz night that was kept under wraps for 16 years - until Scene found out and went along to uncover something really special...



IT seems almost a shame to let the biggest live music secret in the borough out of the bag, writes

Peter Cordwell.

Every Monday night for the last 16 years they've been jazzing it up at Mycenae House, Blackheath, without so much as a NIB in the local press.

It took a nudge from newswise businessman Steve Nelson to point us in the direction of Mycenae House, two or three hundred leafy yards from the Blackheath Standard. And there was Steve, clutching the mic and belting out a version of 'Blueberry Hill' that would have had Fats Domino on the Atkins diet.

The format for **Mycenae Music** could not be more informal or comfortable. Performers get up from the floor and do their stuff, mostly standards, accompanied by professional bass player and MC Dave Silk, and equally professional piano player Phil Mead, who comes down from north London every week and can play pretty much anything asked of him.

The standard was entertainingly high for a bunch of unabashed amateurs and one imagines that many a baritone has overcome his or her nerves and gone on to achieve great personal satisfaction over the last 16 years. Terence - "the long-resting actor" - Cowling has been having singing lessons for the past several months and uses Monday at Mycenae to

judge how well they're going. Not at all bad, I would say, as he sailed confidently through his two or three songs spread over the night. Terence told GT: "Mycenae offers a great opportunity for myself and others to build their confidence to play in public. Normally I sing with Dave and Phil but tonight I brought along my guitar



PLUCKY SINGER: Terence Cowling is one of the performers who gets up every week at the Mycenae House music scene



for the first time to play and sing a comedy song. "It's very much a musical democracy with a broad church of talents and styles. People tend to do just one number then come back for more later. It keeps everything nicely on the go." Dave Silk keeps everything driving along behind his double bass, his laconic delivery undoubtedly helping would-be warblers to make that giant first step towards the mic. Dave said: "About 5,000 people must have been through over the last 16 years or so and I suppose I'm glad they don't all turn up on the same night because that might present problems. There are open mic sessions around London and

jam sessions, and the latter tend to have a long queue of saxophone players waiting to show off. We embrace poetry, dance routines and even jokes. Where we try to score over the others is that we're not academic, we don't have any rules or a set order on a blackboard. Above all, we try to get people to feel comfortable enough to give their first public performance."

Seasoned musicians like sax player Don Rendell make an appearance at Mycenae every once in a while, but Dave didn't tell me whether Don gets involved in the club's other weekly ritual, a late night curry at the Taste of Raj on Blackheath. "Three or four of us go and once it was as many as 18," said Dave. "It's a great way to unwind and they give us a fantastic reduction because we're regulars."

For more details sign up to the mailing list at gigs@jazznights.co.uk or just pop along at about 8.30pm next Monday. The secret's out!

Calling young movie-makers - the film challenge is back!

Film festival makes the final cut - are YOU up to the challenge?



THE Greenwich Film Festival returns to the borough in July as part of The Greenwich Festivals, programme of events which runs until November and will be launched by Greenwich Council in June. The film festival runs from July 15 - 18 and features a

host of movie screenings at venues and parks across the area. In addition there is the **Greenwich Film Challenge** and a project new this year, called **Films in the Attic**. The Film Challenge ran for the first time last year and offers the opportunity for Greenwich's budding film-makers to showcase their film at the

festival and at an invite only screening at The O2's Vue Cinema. Additional prizes in the challenge include sums of £500 and £300 for the two best entries and a £200 prize for the best film by a young film-maker under the age of 21. The challenge is open to people of all ages who live, work or study in the borough and must

reflect this year's theme of time by offering an imaginative view of the past, present or future. Entries must be no more than ten minutes long including titles and credits, and must be submitted in a recognisable digital format (mpeg, avi etc) on a DVD/CD clearly marked with the film title and film-makers name.

All entries must be submitted by 4pm on Friday 25 June 2010. The **Films in the Attic** project invites entrants to submit their home movie footage of life in Greenwich. The footage will then be remixed, re-edited and reshaped into a film that celebrates the people and places of the borough

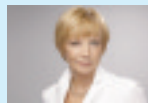
through their own archive footage and home movies. All entries for Films in the Attic must be submitted by 4pm on Tuesday 1 June 2010.

Full submission details at www.greenwich.gov.uk/filmfestival
Full festival details at www.greenwich.gov.uk/festivals

For news of the latest events in the borough sign up for free e-alerts at www.greenwich.gov.uk/ealerts

TV WEEK

Highlights of the week



BBC One
Watchdog,
Thursday, 27th 8pm

Allwright and Anita Rani investigate complaints against the DVLA and show how adverts for fast-food takeaways do not always match up to the reality.



BBC Two
I'm in a Rock 'n' Roll Band!,
Saturday, 29th 10.10pm

Mark Radcliffe's celebration of rock 'n' roll charts the journey of a band's rise to fame, arguing that the best groups are defined by their resilience.



ITV1
The National Movie Awards 2010,
Wednesday, 26th 8pm

From London's Royal Festival Hall, James Nesbitt hosts the awards ceremony celebrating the most successful films of the past year.

	Tuesday, 25th May	Wednesday, 26th May	Thursday, 27th May	Friday, 28th May
BBC One	6.00 Breakfast. 9.15 Don't Get Done, Get Dom. 10.00 Homes Under the Hammer. 10.30 State Opening of Parliament 2010. 12.30 Chelsea Flower Show 2010. 1.00 BBC News; Weather. 1.30 Regional News. 1.45 Doctors. 2.15 Murder, She Wrote. 3.00 BBC News. 3.05 CBeebies. 3.30 CBBC. 5.15 Weakest Link. 6.00 BBC News. 6.30 Regional News.	6.00 Breakfast. 9.15 Don't Get Done, Get Dom. 10.00 Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is. 11.00 Cash in the Attic. 11.45 Bargain Hunt. 12.30 Chelsea Flower Show 2010. 1.00 BBC News; Weather. 1.30 Regional News. 1.45 Doctors. 2.15 Murder, She Wrote. 3.00 BBC News. 3.05 CBeebies. 3.30 CBBC. 5.15 Weakest Link. 6.00 BBC News. 6.30 Regional News.	7.00 The One Show. 7.30 Chelsea Flower Show 2010. 8.00 Waterloo Road. 9.00 Junior Apprentice. 10.00 BBC News. 10.25 Regional News. 10.35 The National Lottery Draws. 10.45 Damages. 11.45 FILM : The Walker (2007). 1.30 Great British Menu. 2.00 Wonders of the Solar System. 3.00 Country Tracks. 3.55 Watchdog. 4.55 BBC News.	6.00 BBC News. 6.30 Regional News. 7.00 The One Show. 7.30 EastEnders. 8.00 Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is. 11.00 Cash in the Attic. 11.45 Bargain Hunt. 12.30 Chelsea Flower Show 2010. 1.00 BBC News; Weather. 1.30 Regional News. 1.45 Doctors. 2.15 Murder, She Wrote. 3.00 BBC News. 3.05 CBeebies. 3.30 CBBC. 5.15 Weakest Link. 6.00 BBC News. 6.30 Regional News. 7.00 The One Show.
BBC Two	6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30 CBeebies. 11.05 FILM : Just My Luck (1957) Comedy, starring Norman Wisdom. 12.30 Working Lunch. 1.00 Car Booty. 1.30 Ready Steady Cook. 2.15 Animal 24/7. 3.00 Diagnosis Murder. 3.45 Flog It! 4.30 A Question of Genius. 5.15 Escape to the Country. 6.00 Eggheads. 6.30 Great British Menu.	7.00 Tate Modern Is 10! A Culture Show Special. 8.00 Chelsea Flower Show 2010. 9.00 The Story of Science - Power, Proof and Passion. 12.30 Working Lunch. 1.00 See Hear. 1.30 Lifeline. 1.40 Coast. 2.15 Animal 24/7. 3.00 Diagnosis Murder. 3.45 Flog It! 4.30 A Question of Genius. 5.15 Escape to the Country.	6.00 Eggheads. Quiz show, hosted by Des Lynam. 7.00 Great British Menu. 7.00 The One Show. 8.00 Chelsea Flower Show 2010. 9.00 Money. Conclusion. John is shocked when the script arrives. 10.00 Have I Got News for You. With guest host Eamonn Holmes. 10.30 Newsnight. 11.20 Sectioned. 12.20 BBC News. 4.00 BBC Learning Zone.	7.00 The Culture Show. The history of gargoyles at Westminster Abbey. 8.00 Chelsea Flower Show 2010. The latest gardening trends from this year's event. 9.00 History Cold Case. 10.00 Grumpy Guide to the Eighties. 10.30 Newsnight. 11.20 Never Mind the Buzzcocks. With guest captain Mark Watson. 11.50 The Culture Show. 12.50 BBC News. 4.00 BBC Learning Zone.
ITV1	6.00 GMTV. 9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show. 10.30 This Morning. 12.30 Loose Women. 1.30 ITV News; Weather. 1.55 London News. 2.00 60 Minute Makeover. 3.00 The David Dickinson Show. 4.00 Agatha Christie's Poirot. 5.00 The Chase. 6.00 London Tonight. 6.30 ITV News; Weather. 7.00 Emmerdale. Hour-long episode. John and Moira discover Holly has been kicked out of college.	8.00 Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? Big-prize quiz. 9.00 The Bill. Max directs observations of a man grooming girls online. 10.00 ITV News at Ten; Weather. 10.30 London News. 11.05 FILM : The Jacket (2005) Premiere. Psychological thriller, starring Adrien Brody. 12.25 The Zone. 2.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show. 3.20 ITV Nightscreen. 3.30 ITV Morning News.	7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 The National Movie Awards 2010. From London's Royal Festival Hall, hosted by James Nesbitt. 10.00 ITV News at Ten; Weather. 10.30 London News. 11.05 FILM : Eyes Wide Shut (1999) Erotic drama, starring Tom Cruise and Nicole Kidman. 1.30 The Zone. 2.30 The Jeremy Kyle Show. 4.25 ITV Nightscreen. 5.30 ITV Morning News.	8.00 Emmerdale. 8.30 Coronation Street. 9.00 All at Sea. 10.00 ITV News at Ten; Weather. 10.30 London News. 10.35 Greatest Cities of the World with Griff Rhys Jones. 11.35 Supersize Kids: Britain's Tallest Teens. 12.35 The Zone. 2.35 The Jeremy Kyle Show. 3.35 How Safe Is Your Beach? Tonight. 4.00 ITV Nightscreen. 5.30 ITV Morning News.
Channel 4	6.20 The Hoobs. 6.45 Freshly Squeezed. 7.10 Everybody Loves Raymond. 8.05 Frasier. 8.30 Will & Grace. 9.25 Supernanny USA. 10.20 Deal or No Deal. 11.05 Wife Swap USA. 12.00 News Summary. 12.05 A Film from My Parish: Six Farms. 12.15 Jamie at Home. 12.45 FILM : Kim (1950) 2.55 Coach Trip. 3.25 Countdown. 4.10 Deal or No Deal. 5.00 Celebrity Come Dine with Me. 6.00 The Simpsons. 6.30 Hollyoaks. 7.00 Channel 4 News.	8.00 Gok's Fashion Fix. 9.00 The Twins Who Share a Brain. 10.00 The Million Pound Drop Live. 11.05 The Good Wife. 12.05 Poker. 1.05 Triathlon ITU World Championship Series. 2.00 Formula Ford Championship. 2.30 KOTV Boxing Weekly. 2.55 The Grid. 3.20 World Sport. 3.50 Freesports on 4. 4.20 Brief Encounters of the Sporting Mind: Body Building. 4.25 Ironman Triathlon. 4.55 Ma Bar. 5.10 Win My Wage. 5.55 The Hoobs.	7.00 News. 8.00 Three in a Bed. 9.00 Desperate Housewives. 10.00 The Million Pound Drop Live. 11.05 The Big Bang Theory. 11.35 My Name Is Earl. 11.55 Wife Swap Is Earl. 12.35 Music on 4: JD Set Presents. 12.50 4Play: Band of Horses. 1.05 Mercury Prize Sessions. 1.20 How to Look Good Naked - with a Difference. 2.15 FILM : A Walk in the Clouds (1995) 4.00 Deal or No Deal. 5.00 Celebrity Come Dine with Me. 6.00 The Simpsons. 6.30 Hollyoaks.	6.20 The Hoobs. 6.45 Freshly Squeezed. 7.10 Everybody Loves Raymond. 8.05 Frasier. 8.30 Will & Grace. 9.25 Supernanny USA. 10.20 Deal or No Deal. 11.05 Wife Swap USA. 12.00 Channel 4 News Summary. 12.05 Music on 4: The Album Chart Show. 1.10 Frock Me. 1.35 How to Look Good Naked - with a Difference. 2.30 Dispatches: The Lost Girls of South Africa. 3.55 Unreported World. 4.20 Win My Wage. 5.00 Countdown. 5.45 The Treacle People. 5.55 The Hoobs.
Five	6.00 Milkshake! 9.15 The Wright Stuff. 10.45 Trisha Goddard. 11.45 CSI: NY. 12.40 Five News. 12.45 Paul Merton in China. 1.45 Neighbours. 2.15 Home and Away. 2.50 Animal Rescue Squad. 3.05 FILM : Wedding Daze (2004) Romantic comedy, starring John Larroquette and Karen Valentine. 5.00 Five News. 5.30 Neighbours. 6.00 Home and Away.	6.25 Live from Studio Five. 7.30 Family Food Fight. 8.00 Cowboy Builders. A Taunton show with huge cracks in the upstairs rooms. Last in the series. 9.00 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. 10.00 CSI: Miami. 11.00 CSI: NY. 11.55 The FBI Files. 12.00 SuperCasino. 4.05 House Doctor. 4.55 Animal Rescue Squad. 5.10 Neighbours. 5.35 Home and Away.	5.30 Neighbours. 6.00 Home and Away. 6.25 Live from Studio Five. 7.30 Daring Raids of World War Two. 8.00 Tutankhamun: The Mystery Revealed. 10.00 NCIS. 10.00 Eurovision: A Song for Justin. 11.00 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. 1.55 Poker. 12.50 SuperCasino. 4.05 House Doctor. 4.55 Animal Rescue Squad. 5.10 Neighbours. 5.35 Home and Away.	7.15 Cricket on Five. England v Bangladesh. 8.00 Britain's Greatest Machines with Chris Barrie. The technology of the 1940s. 9.00 FILM : High Plains Drifter (1972) Western, directed by and starring Clint Eastwood. 11.10 Shops, Robbers and Videotape. 12.10 SuperCasino. 4.05 House Doctor. 4.55 Animal Rescue Squad. 5.10 Neighbours. 5.35 Home and Away.

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**Channel 4**
Gok's Fashion Fix,
Tuesday, 25th 8pm

New series. The stylist offers makeovers to the residents of British towns not well known as centres of fashion, beginning with a tomboyish West Bromwich NHS accountant.

**Five**
Cricket on Five,
Sunday, 30th 7.15pm

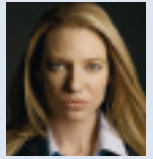
England v Bangladesh. Mark Nicholas presents all of action from the fourth day of the First Test in the two-match series, held at Lord's.

**Film of the Week**
High Plains Drifter,
Thursday, 27th 9pm

A mysterious stranger rides a town of outlaws, but has a dark plan in store for its inhabitants. Western, directed by and starring Clint Eastwood.

Digital & Cable**Tuesday****Fringe.**

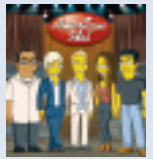
Sky 1, 10pm
Part one of two. Walter and Olivia travel to the parallel universe, resulting in a showdown with William Bell. Drama, starring Anna Torv, Joshua Jackson, John Noble, Lance Reddick, Blair Brown, Kirk Acevedo, Jasika Nicole, Orla Brady and Leonard Nimoy.

**Wednesday****Backdraft,**
Sky 1, 9pm

The two sons of a fireman who died in the line of duty follow him into the profession. However, a feud develops between them because the elder brother is convinced his sibling is not up to the job. Action drama, starring Kurt Russell, William Baldwin and Robert De Niro.

Thursday**The Simpsons,**
Sky 1, 7.30pm

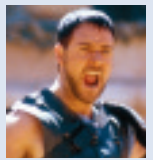
When Moe discovers a hidden talent for judging contests, he is approached by a TV agent to join the American Idol judges' panel. Elsewhere, Homer drives Marge crazy when he starts hanging around the house. Featuring the guest voices of Simon Cowell, Randy Jackson and Ellen DeGeneres.

**Friday****Lost: The Final Journey,**
Sky 1, 7pm

Documentary exploring how the mystery drama series has captivated audiences since 2004. Matthew Fox and other cast members recall their experiences filming the last series, and executive producers Carlton Cuse and Damon Lindelof bring viewers up-to-date as they discuss the finale.

Saturday**Gladiator,**
Sky 1, 9pm

Roman general Maximus Decimus Meridius is a casualty of a power struggle between a corrupt Emperor Commodus and the senate. Oscar-winning period epic, with Russell Crowe, Joaquin Phoenix, Richard Harris, Derek Jacobi, Connie Nielsen, Oliver Reed and David Hemmings.

**Sunday****24,**
Sky 1, 9pm

Jack's unwavering mission to uncover the truth complicates matters for President Taylor as she prepares for a signing ceremony, while Chloe leads CTU on a high-stakes collision course with Bauer, and Logan comes face to face with a formidable enemy. Kiefer Sutherland stars.

Monday**Cougar Town,**
Living, 10.30pm

A confident wine rep develops an interest in Grayson, Andy's friendship with Bobby is curtailed by a dog, and Jules tries to prove Ellie wrong by not drinking wine for a month. Guest starring Sheryl Crow, with Courteney Cox, Christa Miller, Busy Philipps, Dan Byrd and Josh Hopkins.



Saturday, 29th May	Sunday, 30th May	Monday, 31st May
6.00 Breakfast. 9.30 Saturday Kitchen. 11.00 Formula 1: The Turkish Grand Prix - Qualifying. From Istanbul Park. 1.25 BBC News and Weather. 1.40 Inside Sport: South Africa's World Cup Journey. 2.10 Live Challenge Cup Rugby League. Leeds Rhinos v Wigan Warriors (Kick-off 2.30pm). 4.40 Junior Apprentice. The candidates are set their third task. 5.40 BBC News and Weather. 6.00 Weakest Link.	6.00 Breakfast. 9.00 The Andrew Marr Show. 10.00 The Big Questions. 11.00 The Politics Show. 12.10 Formula 1: The Turkish Grand Prix Live. From Istanbul Park (Start-time 1.00pm). 3.20 EastEnders. 5.15 Points of View. 5.30 Songs of Praise. 6.05 Chelsea Flower Show 2010. 6.35 BBC News and Weather. 7.00 Halcyon River Diaries. Charlie and Fred care for an injured kingfisher chick.	6.00 Breakfast. 9.00 Don't Get Done, Get Dom. 9.45 Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is. 10.45 Cowboy Trap. 11.30 Cash in the Attic. 12.00 Bargain Hunt. 12.45 BBC News. Weather. 1.00 Regional News. 1.05 5 FILM: Mary Poppins [1964]. 3.20 5 FILM: Underdog [2007] Premiere. Comedy adventure, with the voice of Jason Lee. 4.35 5 FILM: National Treasure: Book of Secrets [2007]. 6.30 BBC News.
6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 12.00 Degassi: The Next Generation. 12.25 The Cut. 12.50 No Hats, No Trainers. 1.15 The 5:19 Show. 1.30 Off the Hook. 2.00 5 FILM: Guess Who's Coming to Dinner [1967] Comedy drama, starring Spencer Tracy. 3.45 Flog It! 4.30 Coast. 4.35 Mastermind. 5.30 Escape to the Country.	6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 10.00 Something for the Weekend. 11.30 Great British Menu. 12.00 Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is. 1.00 5 FILM: The Red Shoes [1948] Oscar-winning drama, starring Moira Shearer. 3.10 Live Challenge Cup Rugby League. Bradford Bulls v Warrington Wolves (Kick-off 3.30pm). 5.30 Coast. 5.40 Porridge.	6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 11.00 The Flintstones. 11.25 5 FILM: Son of Paleface [1952] Western comedy, starring Bob Hope. 12.55 Rowing World Cup. 2.00 Paralympic World Cup. Live swimming coverage from Manchester. 4.00 Flog It! 4.30 A Question of Genius. 5.15 Escape to the Country. 6.30 Great British Menu. The eight regional finalists prepare their starters.
6.00 GMTV. 9.25 The Crocodile Hunter Diaries. 10.25 The Lakes. 10.55 Monk. 11.50 News; Weather. 12.10 This Morning; Saturday. 1.10 Britain's Got Talent. 2.10 Midsomer Murders. 3.40 5 FILM: Twins [1988] Comedy adventure, with Arnold Schwarzenegger. 5.35 London Tonight. 5.45 ITV News; Weather. 6.00 Totally You've Been Framed!	6.00 GMTV. 9.25 Coronation Street. 9.45 I Dreamed a Dream: The Susan Boyle Story. 10.30 ITV News; Weather. 10.45 5 FILM: The Last Samurai [2003] Historical adventure, starring Tom Cruise, Ken Watanabe and Timothy Spall. 1.20 The Zone. 3.25 5 FILM: Around the Bend [2004] Drama, starring Michael Caine. 4.50 ITV Nightscreen. 5.30 ITV Morning News.	6.00 GMTV. 9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show. 10.30 60 Minute Makeover. 11.30 Dickinson's Real Deal. 12.30 Loose Women. 1.30 ITV News; Weather. 1.55 London News. 2.00 Rosemary & Thyme. 3.00 Agatha Christie's Poirot. 5.00 The Chase. 6.00 London Tonight. 6.15 ITV News; Weather. 6.30 You've Been Framed! 7.00 Coronation Street. Robbie befriends the unwitting Carla and Roy.
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Still Rolling along

The last of the *Rolling Stones*' great albums, *Exile On Main St.* gets a makeover



WHILE the Beatles were busy imploding by 1970, The Stones were in the midst of

their most productive period. The 'Big Four' albums they produced between 1968 and 1972 are widely viewed as their best work.

Beggars Banquet from '68 included the high watermark of the band's singles career with the peerless *Sympathy For The Devil*, while *Let It Bleed* a year later was home to the paranoid *Midnight Rambler* and the atmospheric *Gimme Shelter*. *Sticky Fingers* in 1971 was most notable for *Brown Sugar* – the ode to heroin that is a popular sing-along at weddings, and the affecting *Wild Horses*.

The last of the band's purple-period quartet was *Exile On Main St.*, an album recorded in tax exile in the South of France. It was a time of excess, even by the standards of the band that drew the rock 'n' roll blueprint, and Mick Jagger has often voiced his dissatisfaction at the record's poor mix and strung-out production. A re-master was on the cards then, and the 2010 version comes with a bonus CD of previously unreleased material.

It's a contentious play. Some cynics regard the re-mastering practice as merely



cashing in, when in reality the 'new' product differs little from the original, and regard the 'warts 'n' all' qualities of the originals as integral to an album's character.

Granted, unless you happen to have the ears of a record producer or are a fervent Stones-o-phile, the new production won't leap out and kiss you on the ears, but that said, there is a definite dynamism and energy that was lacking in the '72 original. Cash-in criticisms can't be levelled at the reworking

though – the 18-track album now boasts a bonus disc of a further 10 songs. And it's not the scratchy demos and directionless noodling that has become a byword for 'previously unreleased material' either – the new offerings are as strong in parts as the music that made the final cut.

The first four tracks certainly could have graced any album of the period, kicking off with the peppy funk of *Pass The Wine* (Sophia Loren), while *Plundered My Soul* in particular, seems a bizarre

omission such is its strength. *So Divine*'s guitar echoes Brian Jones' haunting sitar line from *Paint It Black* and could have sat happily on any of the band's sleazy output from the era, harking back to the spaced out strut of *Let It Bleed*.

On the downside, *Dancing In The Light* isn't one of the best, and probably didn't make the original due to some pretty poor and strangled vocals.

There is a couple of superfluous 'Alternate takes' too, which will only appeal to the most hardened acolytes of Mick & Co: One lackadaisical sub-vamp of *Loving Cup* that's so slow it threatens to come to a complete standstill, and a passable-in-all-but-vocal version of *Soul Survivor*.

Good Time Woman does what it says on the tin and is a decent pot-boiler, while final track, *Title 5* is an interesting offering, if not overtly commercial or Stonese-sounding.

Its psychedelic guitar has the feel of an early T-Rex boogie, and although sans vocals and only a minute and a half long, it's an insight into the direction the band could have taken had they been more interested in sonic evolution, rather than the more pressing task of sustaining their status as Best Rock 'n' Roll Band In The World.

Rod Kitson

Guns 'n' Rose...

Slash goes it alone

SINCE emerging into the frontline of iconic rockers with the late-'80s surge of his seminal band Guns N' Roses, Slash has been one of the world's most sought after guitarists.

And Slash is the self-titled debut album from the legendary guitarist, featuring a host of famous vocalists. Eric Valentine produced the album's songs, which blend the different styles of vocalists with Slash's renowned guitar prowess to culminate in a varied and cohesive sound. He spent nearly a year at a Hollywood studio where he recorded special sessions with producer Eric Valentine (whose credits range from Queens of the Stone Age to The All-American Rejects) and an intense, compact rhythm section of bassist Chris Chaney (*Jane's Addiction*) and drummer Josh Freese (most recently of *Nine Inch Nails*).

The collaborative artists on the album are a bona-fide who's who of contemporary rock music, including Maroon Five's Adam Levine, Iggy Pop, Ozzy Osbourne, Fergie from the Black Eyed Peas and rising-star singer Rocco De Luca.

The tracks cover a wide range of sounds: 'Ghost' with Ian Astbury starts the album on a darkly seductive note while 'Beautiful Dangerous' with Fergie and 'I Hold On' with Kid Rock really push the rock 'n' roll edge.

The super drive instrumental 'Watch This' showcases a power trio workout of Slash, McKagan and Grohl. The sly 'Crucify the Dead' with Ozzy and 'We're All Gonna Die' with Iggy spotlight the unmistakable personalities and wit of these rock icons. And the tautly romantic 'Gotten' with Levine and nearly mystical 'Saint Is A Sinner Too' with De Luca offer stark contrasts in moods and shades. Critics and fans alike still debate the best rock riffs of all time with 'Sweet Child O' Mine' consistently taking top honours, while a Time Magazine survey placed Slash second only to Jimi Hendrix among electric guitarists.

Slash's history encompasses Guns N' Roses, his own Slash's Snakepit band and two global hit albums anchoring Velvet Revolver in recent years, but the Slash album will be his first solo effort.

The album is centered around the theme that no matter who is singing, there's an energy, excitement and, above all, musicality to the guitar playing that elevates and unifies the music throughout.

Andy Watson
Slash is in store now at HMV, Greenwich Shopping Park, Charlton



RINGMASTER: Slash

Victim left in a korma



TRY to imagine five gruesome murders by a charming, middle aged Indian lady. Add five outrageous, ghostly characters alongside her, and throw in a ghostly dog wearing eyeliner and you have the essence of *It's A Wonderful Afterlife* – a light-hearted comedy-horror from Gurinder Chadha and the makers of *Bend It Like Beckham*.

Set in the London suburb of Southall, the story centres on the increasingly desperate lengths to which an Indian mother, Mrs Sethi (delicately played by Shabana Azmi) will go to ensure the happiness of her only daughter, Roopi, (Goldi Notay). Using her considerable culinary skills as a weapon of mass destruction – death by tandoori kebab and suffocation by naan bread were two of the best – Mrs Sethi wreaks a diabolical revenge on anyone daring either to upset or jeopardise the happiness of her forever-eating first born.

Her victims, awaiting reincarnation, follow Mrs Sethi around, initially resentful and angry but eventually, recognising the purity of a mother's motives,



PARTY TIME: the family have a knees-up become understanding and helpful. The police, led by Mark Addy as D. I. Smythe, bumble around in a constant state of confusion and are reduced to introducing a plant into the household, Detective Sergeant Murthy (Sendhil Ramamurthy), who rather conveniently happens to have been a childhood sweetheart of Roopi. Zoe Wannamaker as kindly next door neighbour, Mrs Goldstein (also murdered but this time unintentionally), and Sally Hawkins (Geetali) combine nicely as Roopi's best friend and

local psychic – both adding to the general chaos.

The characters do their best with what is, frankly, rather limited material. Azmi infuses her role as over-anxious mother with dignity and grace gradually building an impressive screen presence. Notay's role as an overweight, plain and independent-minded spinster is perhaps less than enviable but she too plays her part well. The rest of the cast simply make up the numbers, appearing only to be fed the occasional one liner, before disappearing once again into the background.

Refusing to explore or even touch on the cultural, social or sexual themes that helped enhance the comedy and humour of *Bend It Like Beckham*, *laWA* is left to its humour alone, and unfortunately, comes up wanting.

Verdict:

laWA might have worked well on the small screen as a 30-minute sitcom but on the big screen, it falls flat. Occasionally amusing. 4/10

Dick Morgan



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Council acts to protect public health

A restaurant that was shut by environmental health officers has been allowed to reopen after a major clean up.

San Miguel Tapas Bar and restaurant, on Greenwich Church Street, opened on May 13 three days after an emergency prohibition order was issued by Greenwich Magistrates.

The restaurant was allowed to reopen after intensive work by the business owners to clean up and implement pest control treatments.

Greenwich Council took action to protect public health after an environmental officer's unannounced visit found an uncontrolled mouse and cockroach infestation, on May 4.

The officer visited the restaurant

check if improvements had been carried out following a first visit a week earlier. However, there was still evidence of mice and cockroaches in the basement, kitchen and food preparation area.

As well as the infestation, there were large holes in the walls allowing the pests access to the restaurant while the general cleanliness of the premises was below standard.

Council officers took photographic evidence which was used in court to gain an emergency prohibition order. Restaurant operator Mrs T Abdurahman, was ordered to close the restaurant until the pest infestations were under control and was ordered to pay the council's costs of £600.

Cllr Maureen O' Mara, Greenwich

Council's cabinet member for environment and community services, said: "The majority of food businesses in Greenwich comply with the law but there is a minority that despite our guidance continue to put their customers' health at risk. The council is urging food businesses to take advantage of the free advice available to them in order to protect public health and safety. We also want residents to enjoy their leisure time in the borough without putting their health at risk."

Local catering businesses can get advice on how to comply with food safety law through free seminars and coaching sessions organised by Greenwich Council.

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• Find out more about food hygiene in the borough at www.greenwich.gov.uk/food-hygiene

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SPORT

Season ends in terrible anti-climax

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denouement of penalties, an outcome which the Addicks faced with confidence in Randolph.

In the event, the respective merits of both Randolph and Swindon's gallant substitute Phil Smith were irrelevant as poor Bailey blasted the second of Charlton's spotkicks over the bar, Town efficiently converted all five of theirs and a long season's toil, for the home side at least, left only potentially unpleasant repercussions.

Smith had replaced shoulder-injury victim David Lucas as early as the fifth minute, his premature introduction tipping the early balance in Charlton's favour.

Initially uncertain, the new keeper's safety-first decision to steer Kyel Reid's off-target snapshot around a post was understandable, though his treatment of Gary Borrowdale's inswinging corner was less impressive. Caught in traffic, his indecision panicked Simon Ferry into turning the ball into his own net.

Now level on aggregate, buoyant Charlton moved into an overall lead in more classy fashion a minute before the break. Borrowdale's fine pass down the left flank encouraged Reid to beat Stephen Darby before cutting back expertly for David Mooney to clip a first-time shot past Smith's unconvincing attempt to save. Though not yet past the post and weighed in, the Addicks temporarily held the whip hand.

Little had been seen, meanwhile, of Swindon's potent strike duo of Charlie Austin and Billy Paynter, the visitors' solitary first half chance nodded wastefully wide by a half-fit Paynter, after Jon-Paul McGovern crossed and Ward headed back from the far post.

Their prospects were hardly improved by the 66th minute dismissal of captain Gordon Greer for a frustrated assault on Deon Burton's midriff, but



INCONSOLABLE: Charlton skipper Nicky Bailey is out for the count at the end of the shoot-out while (below) a young fan takes it on the chin



Miguel Llera later balanced the books by earning a red card after hauling down Austin in full flight for goal.

Extra-time offered trial by ordeal with chances plentiful. In the first period, Smith made great saves from subs Nicky Forster and Thierry Racon, Frazer Richardson unluckily hit the post from long range and Burton screwed Scott Wagstaff's pass a whisker wide in the game's waning moments.

Austin had Town's best opportunity as the Addicks were again caught on the break but bent a left-footed drive inches past the left post.

It fell to 21-year-old Liverpool loanee Darby to coolly convert the decisive penalty, which consigned Charlton's campaign to dismal anti-climax.

This fine old club's immediate future will presumably be determined by men in suits, rather than shirts, into whose hands its spirit is commended, a spirit movingly saluted in defeat by some of the most decent fans in the country.

Let's hope the money men respond with equal generosity, bearing in mind that, to them, it's purely business and never personal.

TEAMS

Charlton (4-4-2): Randolph, Richardson, Llera, Dailly, Borrowdale, Sam (Wagstaff, 66), Semedo, Bailey, Reid (Racon, 95), Burton, Mooney (Forster, 85). Not used: Elliot, Solly, A.Sodje, Fry.

Swindon (4-4-2): Lucas (Smith, 5), Darby, Cuthbert, Greer, Jean-Francois, McGovern, Douglas, Ferry (Amankwaah, 72), Ward, Paynter (O'Brien, 64), Austin. Not used: Pericard, Easton, Nouble, Timlin.

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Zoe snatches silver medal at Euro championships

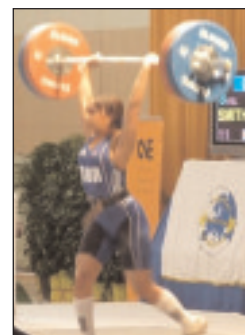
GREENWICH weightlifting star Zoe Smith took the silver in the European Youth Weightlifting Championships in Valencia, Spain, on Friday. The 15-year-old Abbey Wood schoolgirl finished second out of the top 11 young athletes in Europe. In the snatch, Zoe came out earlier than her opponents, making a very comfortable 74kg to

get her name on the scoreboard. But she had the crowd on the edge of their seats when she started her lift with only three seconds remaining on the clock! The Abbey Wood girl's last lift of 84 kg, which was a 6kg personal best, was made to look easy, suggesting she can still lift more. The 84kg was good enough to take bronze in the snatch, behind Russia's Diana

Akhmetova, who set a new European youth record of 93kg. In the clean and jerk, Zoe again had the crowd gasping as she raised her opening lift to a new best of 101kg, she came out confidently and was successful with her first attempt. Afterwards, Zoe said that felt that she was still dreaming, as she couldn't believe that she had come so close to challenging

the Russian for the gold in the clean and jerk and come away with a silver medal in the total. With six out of six lifts and personal bests across the board, and with a massive 22kg on her competition total in the 58kg category, Zoe will now be challenging for a medal at the Commonwealth Games in Delhi in October. BWLA chief executive Steve Cannon was quoted

"This is the best lifting by British lifter for more than 10 years. Not since Michaela Breeze's gold at the European junior championships in 1999, have I seen lifting like this. With six at six lifts we couldn't have asked for more." Zoe was cheered on by mum Niki and supported by her personal coach Andrew Callard as well as WCL head coach Tamas Feher.



SPORT

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FOR ZOE SMITH**
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The toil and the tears...

Penalty shoot-out
agony for the skipper



OH NO: Charlton skipper Nicky Bailey walks back dejected after missing from the penalty spot

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Charlton Swindon

AET (Agg 3-3; Swindon win
5-4 on pens)

by Kevin Nolan

PROVING again that misery loves company, the long-term financial consequences of Charlton's play-off semi-final defeat are expected to be painful, with depressing rumours of cutbacks, economies and general belt tightening doing the rounds.

That dreary stuff belongs on the financial pages, of course, and should be shelved until the searing pain of last Tuesday's heartbreak has receded. All things pass, fortunately, even the unique agony of

elimination by penalty shoot-out.

With a shade over a quarter hour of regulation time remaining, it seemed Swindon Town were en route to hollow disappointment and Charlton were on their way to a lucrative final.

Holding a decisive 2-0 lead, the Addicks were in touching distance of Wembley, only to fall agonisingly short. An eagerness to leave no doubt proved their undoing but to err is, after all, an endearingly human trait reassuringly shared by footballers.

A third goal was not strictly necessary but the natural temptation to place the issue beyond question proved irresistible. Committing themselves forward, Charlton briefly overwhelmed the retreating visitors in their own half, but skipper Nicky Bailey

chose speculation over accumulation, his flashy pass was intercepted by the Robins and in a version of basketball's fast break, the momentum was abruptly reversed.

Seconds later, Danny Ward slipped the ball past Darren Randolph to make this pulsating tie, with its bewildering uncertainty, all square again - precisely all square, that is, with none of that away goals nonsense artificially complicating the mathematics.

There was still extra-time to undergo, with the demands it makes on weary legs and tired minds. There were chances at both ends but, at some imperceptible point, these embattled sides tacitly resigned themselves to the undeniably thrilling

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the aim of providing a high-profile presence to make residents feel safer in their issues of concern in your neighbourhood. Each team is normally made up of six. Their job is to listen and talk to you, and find out what anti-social behaviour partnership with you and other agencies to find a lasting solution to any problems

Teams Supporting YOU



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Woolwich Riverside, The Gatehouse, Frances Street, SE18 **Call:** 020-8721 2735

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Middle Park and Sutcliffe, Eltham Police Station, 20 Well Hall Road, SE9 6SF **Call:** 020-8649 3538

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Peninsula, Westcombe Park Police Station, Combedale Road, Greenwich, SE10 0LQ. **Call:** 020-8721 2633

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VISIBLY SAFER...

Safe on the buses

Survey shows Greenwich among top four safest boroughs

CONFIDENCE and reassurance are tangible on Greenwich's buses since the Safer Transport Team (STT) was set up four years ago.

The STT - comprising one police inspector, three sergeants, six PCs and 18 PCSOs - are one of the teams working across the capital. They are all entirely funded by Transport for London (TfL) and, in mid-April, the Greenwich STT heard they're among the top four performers within the 32 London boroughs.

Team leader Insp. Peter Stroud, based at Woolwich Police Station in Market Street, told GT: "We've just received the results of an independent 'Public Attitude' survey which shows that 99 per cent of the travelling public feel safe on Greenwich buses."

He said: "Also, from January, 2009, there has been a 27 per cent reduction in crime on the bus system in this borough."

The team, out from mid-morning until late into the evening, works under the London-wide 'Operation Tyrol', whose aims are to support and protect both passengers and transport staff, reduce bus crime and increase public-confidence.

Although they primarily work on the buses - both in uniform and plain-clothed - they also take part in joint operations with British Transport Police. Sgt Scott Brownlie said: "We also meet up regularly with the drivers and other staff at Plumstead Bus Garage, listening to their issues and concerns. That information is then collated and taken into consideration when we are planning priorities."

He added: "The feedback from

ON THE RIGHT TRACK:
police and DLR staff
enjoy a light moment
outside the station



TEAMWORK AT THE DLR

WOOLWICH Arsenal DLR Station attracts around 15,000 travellers a day. It also has a "gateline", so users must have a ticket to get in and out. That's where the strong working partnership between Greenwich Police and the light railway's customer service officers is so important.

DLR's Gary Williamson said: "We have a good

relationship with the police. They are always on hand if we need them." The DLR's 22-strong customer services team are primarily around to help travellers buy the right ticket, help with Oyster card top-ups and give directions. But they welcome the strong relationship they have with the local police. Gary said: "We're open at 5am and the last train

comes in here at 1.05am, and there are always DLR staff around to help the public. The Safer Neighbourhoods officers are never too far away." Customer services officer Debbie Shepherd has worked on the station for nine months. She said: "The majority of people are fine but, if we get a problem, the PCSOs are always around."

the drivers is very positive, we are without a doubt making a difference and we have improved their working environment."

The STT regularly demonstrate sensitive weapons-screening "arches" both in schools and at busy transport interchanges, as well as conducting planned "sweeps" for weapons in certain known hot-spots in the borough.

At the same time, team members are well-known at certain bus-stops around Greenwich when the schools

turn out. Sgt Brownlie said: "We're a visible, reassuring presence, making sure that children feel safe. Staff at the schools also acknowledge our presence, they come out and meet us, knowing that we're there to support them."

Insp Stroud stressed that the STT relies on information from the public to help it in its work - and you can remain anonymous. Contact them about anything suspicious that you see or hear on Greenwich's buses on 0300 123 1212 (24 hours) or email: STT.Greenwich@met.police.uk

Alison spreads the word on 'her patch'

ALISON Cullen is just one of scores of residents giving up free-time to work with police teams for a safer, better Greenwich. The busy grandmother, who already chairs the council's Charlton and Carnbrook Housing Panel, is now in the hot seat of the Kidbrooke and Hornfair Safer Neighbourhoods Panel as well. "When I started to lose my sight and I couldn't work any more, I decided I wanted to get into the voluntary side of things," said Alison, a former carer for Age Concern. Despite cataracts - and now detached retinas - Alison is out and about every day, chatting to residents, organising meetings, going on courses. We caught up with her at the

Blackheath Standard, distributing leaflets for the area's first Safer Neighbourhoods Community Day that was held at Samuel Montagu Youth club in Broad Walk on May 8. The Safer Neighbourhoods panels like Alison's are closed to the general public. However, Neighbourhood Watch reps have a regular input, and more panel reps are always needed. Alison, who has lived in the area for more than 20 years, said: "I started off wanting to make this a safer place for the elderly. We've worked closely with the police on this, and we've really managed to sort



HAVE A LEAFLET:
Alison Cullen
out spreading
the word in the
Blackheath
Standard area

things out. "People in this area know what I do now. They know I will pass on any information to the officers - because some people are wary about going straight to the police themselves."

"Our local police team is very visible, so residents also know that things are being done. And we're always looking for more people, prepared to help make their community better." Sgt Tony Watts heads up Alison's local team. They work alongside the Blackheath and Westcombe team out of a small office at Marks and Spencer in Old Dover Road. The sergeant and his colleagues hold regular,

impromptu "street briefings" - usually around 2.30pm on occasional weekdays, either at the bottom of Shooters Hill Road or round towards Kidbrooke School in Corelli Road.

The officers also hold an informal, drop-in "surgery" for residents to raise any issues of concern on the first Monday of the month at Charlton Rugby Club in Broad Walk.

Tony said: "We rely on people like Alison. They know what the priorities should be - because they live in the area and know it inside out." ● FULL details from the Kidbrooke and Horn Fair police Safer Neighbourhoods team on 020-7161 8420.